IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JOAN FAULK OWENS and KAREN LYNN HUBBARD,)
Plaintiffs,)
v.) 2:07-cv-650
STATE OF ALABAMA DEPT. OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION, et al.,)))
Defendants.)

<u>DEFENDANTS' BRIEF IN SUPPORT</u> OF THEIR MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

COME NOW the Defendants, the State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation (hereinafter "ADMH"), ADMH Commissioner John Houston (hereinafter "Houston"), Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel Otha Dillihay (hereinafter "Dillihay"), Personnel Manager IV, Director of Central Office Personnel Henry Ervin (hereinafter "Ervin"), and Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager Marilyn Benson (hereinafter "Benson"), and in support of their Motion for Summary Judgment filed simultaneously herewith, submit this brief with exhibits.

SUMMARY JUDGMENT STANDARD

Under Rule 56(c) of the *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure*, Summary Judgment is appropriate "if the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories and admissions on file, together with the affidavits, if any, show that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and that the moving party is entitled to a Judgment as a matter of law." *Fed.*

R.Civ.P. 56(c). "A genuine issue of material fact does not exist unless there is sufficient evidence favoring the nonmoving party for a reasonable jury to return a verdict in its favor." Chapman v. Al Transp., 229 F.3d 1012, 1023 (11th Cir. 2000) (en banc)(quoting Haves v. City of Miami, 52 F.3d 918, 921 (11th Cir. 1995) [(internal quotation marks and citations omitted)].

The party seeking Summary Judgment "always bears the initial responsibility of informing the district court of the basis for its motion, and identifying those portions of 'the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with the affidavits, if any,' which it believes demonstrate the absence of a genuine issue of material fact." Celotex Corp. v. Catrett, 477 U.S. 317, 323 (1986). The movant can meet this burden by presenting evidence showing there is no dispute of material fact, or by showing the nonmoving party has failed to present evidence in support of some element of its case on which it bears the ultimate burden of proof. *Id.* at 322-23.

Once the moving party has met its burden, Rule 56(e), "requires the nonmoving party to go beyond the pleadings and by [its] own affidavits, or by the 'depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file,' designate 'specific facts showing that there is a genuine issue for trial." Id. at 324. To avoid Summary Judgment, the nonmoving party "must do more than simply show that there is some metaphysical doubt as to the material facts." Matsushita Elec. Indus. Co. V. Zenith Radio Corp., 475 U.S. 574, 586 (1986). On the other hand, a court ruling on a Motion for Summary Judgment must believe the evidence of the nonmovant and must draw all justifiable inferences from the evidence in the nonmoving party's favor. See, e.g., Anderson v. Liberty Lobby, Inc., 477 U.S. 242, 255

(1986); McCormick v. City of Fort Lauderdale, 333 F. 3d 1234, 1243 (11th Cir. 2003) (the evidence and all reasonable inferences from the evidence must be viewed in the light most favorable to the nonmovant). After the nonmoving party has responded to the Motion for Summary Judgment, the Court must grant Summary Judgment if there is no genuine issue of material fact and the moving party is entitled to Judgment as a matter of law. See Fed.R.Civ.P. 56(c).

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ALLEGATIONS OF COMPLAINT

This is a reverse race discrimination, disparate treatment case filed by two Caucasian employees of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation who remain in the same positions they occupied when the alleged discriminatory treatment is said by them to have occurred. The Complaint also contains certain State common law counts.

The Plaintiffs allege that discriminatory treatment occurred as to them on or about September 15, 2005, when a new job opening announcement was circulated for the first time on a general basis to fill a new position in the Personnel Department at the Central Montgomery Personnel Office. This position had at one time been used by the Department but had been abolished and, therefore, had to be recreated to fill a need existing at the time of the September 15, 2005 announcement. Neither Plaintiff has a college degree. The Plaintiffs allege that the "substitution" provision should have been included in the job qualification section of the announcement and that its absence (1) was intentional and malicious and specifically not included to assure that they could not apply for this job because they were the only two potential Caucasian applicants qualified to apply for the

position and (2) the only other person qualified to apply was Marilyn Benson, an African American female who worked with the Plaintiffs in this same office at the same classification. The Plaintiffs contend that this was done to keep an African American person in power in this office after Henry Ervin, the African American Personnel Director, either retired or otherwise left this job.

This job specification, which had been newly created, required a Bachelor's Degree. The substitution provision would have allowed the Plaintiffs herein to substitute a certain amount of job-related experience for and in the place of the Bachelor's Degree requirement.

This general description of the basic allegations in the case is provided for general background only.

STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACTS **PARTIES** (Defendants)

STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

ADMH is a department or subdivision under the State of Alabama pursuant to § 22-50-2 Code of Alabama (1975). This section establishes the ADMH as a department of the state government. ADMH provides services to mentally ill and mentally retarded individuals throughout Alabama through the authority of §22-50-9, Code of Alabama (1975) and by way of its Commissioner pursuant to §22-50-16, Code of Alabama (1975).

COMMISSIONER JOHN HOUSTON

Defendant John Houston is a Caucasian male, who served as Acting Commissioner of the ADMH beginning February 1, 2005 by appointment from Governor Bob Riley. Governor Riley made the appointment regular or "permanent" in August 2005. At all times since February 1, 2005, Commissioner Houston has served in the role of Commissioner of ADMH pursuant to §22-50-16 Code of Alabama (1975) with all rights and responsibilities set forth therein. (See Exhibit "10", Letter from Governor Riley appointing John Houston Interim Commissioner). Prior to his appointment as Interim Commissioner. Commissioner Houston served as the Executive Assistant to the prior Commissioner of the ADMH for approximately ten years. (See Exhibit "6", Interrogatory Responses of Commissioner John Houston, Resume', last 3 pages). Commissioner Houston served as Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner/Mental Illness Division for approximately three years, as well as the Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner/Administrative Division prior to that position. Additionally, Commissioner Houston served as Director of the Sunbelt Regional Center for the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind from 1984 until 1986. Prior to that, Commissioner Houston was the Director of Student Services at E.H. Gentry Technical Facility for four years. From 1979 until 1980, Commissioner Houston worked as a Research Associate for CETA Management Coordination Project, which was a federally funded program providing technical assistance to state agencies regarding employment training programs. Commissioner Houston served as the Director of Advocacy Services at Bryce Hospital from 1974 until 1977. He began his employment as the Coordinator of Advocacy for the Mental Retardation Services of Alabama at the University of Alabama. Commissioner Houston received his undergraduate degree from Auburn University in 1971 and a Master's Degree in Special Education and Social Work from the University of Alabama. Id.

OTHA DILLIHAY

Mr. Dillihay is an African-American male who served as Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel with the ADMH from June 1, 2004 until July 23, 2005, at which time he became Associate Commissioner of Mental Illness on a temporary basis. (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, p.6, ¶1). On November 12, 2005, he returned to his former position as Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel. (Id.) In 2007, Mr. Dillihay served as a Program/Policy Analyst Consultant for the Department on Disabilities Services in Washington, D.C. (Exhibit "7", Interrogatory Responses of Otha Dillihay, Resume', last 4 pages). From 2001 until 2004, he served as Director of the Board of Directors' Palmetto Health Alliance in Columbia, South Carolina. Prior to that, Mr. Dillihay was the Deputy Director for Administration for the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice for four years. Mr. Dillihay served as the Hospital Administrator of the South Carolina Department of Mental Health for five years. He was the Director of the Hospital Mortgage Insurance Staff of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, D.C. for one year. Mr. Dillihay served as the Business Manager/Chief Financial Officer of Crafts-Farrow State Hospital in Columbia, South Carolina from 1990 until 1993. In 1991, he worked at the South Carolina Department of Mental Health as the Executive Assistant to the State Commissioner. He began his career as a Project Coordinator/Director Continuity of Care at G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital in Columbia, South Carolina. Mr. Dillihay received his undergraduate degree from South Carolina State University and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Webster University. (Id.) Mr. Dillihay no longer works for the ADMH. He resigned to

move back to Columbia, South Carolina and is currently employed with Richland One School District as Chief Human Resource Officer. (See Exhibit "11", Deposition of Otha Dillihay, 83:1-24).

HENRY ERVIN

Mr. Ervin is an African-American male, who currently serves as Personnel Manager IV, Director of Central Office Personnel with ADMH in Montgomery, Alabama and has served in this position on two different occasions. (Exhibit "8", Interrogatory Responses of Henry Ervin, Resume', last 3 pages). His current tenure in this position began in October 1998. Mr. Ervin has served since that time as the direct supervisor to the Plaintiffs, as well as other employees of the ADMH in the Central Personnel Office, including the Defendant, Marilyn Benson. (Exhibit "12", Deposition of Henry Ervin, 265:17-21; 266:1-2). He began working as the Associate Director of Hospital Personnel at Ohio State University Hospitals & College of Medicine. (Exhibit "8", Interrogatory Responses of Henry Ervin, Resume', last 3 pages). In 1980, Mr. Ervin served as Director of Personnel and Support Services for ADMH. Then, he was employed as a Hearing Officer for ADMH in Thomasville, Alabama. Mr. Ervin became a Mental Health Family Advocate for ADMH. From 1990 until 1998, he was Director of Human Resource Management. Mr. Ervin received his undergraduate degree from Alabama State University and took a considerable number of courses in Public Administration at Nova Southeastern University. (Id.)

MARILYN BENSON

Ms. Benson is an African-American female, who currently serves as Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager in ADMH Central Personnel. (See Exhibit "9", Interrogatory Responses of Marilyn Benson, Resume', last 3 pages). Ms. Benson began her career as

an Office Manager for Neuropsychiatry Associates and worked there for a little over one year. She began working with ADMH in August of 1983 as a Research Assistant. One year later, Ms. Benson was promoted to ADMH Planning Specialist, where she served for approximately three years. Ms. Benson was again promoted to Personnel Specialist III in December of 1987. She served as a Personnel Specialist III for approximately nineteen years before obtaining her most recent promotion. Ms. Benson was recently selected from among seven applicants to serve as Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager on March 4, 2006. In 1981, Ms. Benson received her undergraduate degree from Auburn University in Health Services Administration and earned her Master's Degree in Public Administration from Auburn University Montgomery in 1987. (Id.)

(Plaintiffs)

JOAN FAULK OWENS

Ms. Owens is a Caucasian female, who began her employment with ADMH in 1990. (Exhibit "13", Deposition of Joan Owens, 69:8). Ms. Owens is a high school graduate, but does not have a degree from a four-year college or university. (Exhibit "14", Employment Application of Joan Owens). Ms. Owens is a Personnel Specialist, III, who performs various tasks in the Central Personnel Office. (Exhibit "13", Deposition of Joan Owens, 5:18). In 1990, Ms. Owens worked in the Personnel Department at Tarwater, which has now been closed. (Exhibit "13", Deposition of Joan Owens, 6:12-15). She also worked at Griel Hospital as Personnel Director from June 1999 to September 1999 at which time she left the position of Personnel Director and again took a job in the Central Personnel Office. (Id.)

KAREN LYNN HUBBARD

Ms. Hubbard is a Caucasian female, who began her employment with ADMH on December 31, 1991 as a Clerk Typist. (Exhibit "15", Deposition of Lynn Hubbard, 16:4). She was then changed to Administrative Support Assistant in Mental Retardation. (Exhibit "15", Deposition of Lynn Hubbard, 16: 9-11). On October 11, 1997, Ms. Hubbard was promoted to Administrative Support Assistant III. Finally, on July 1, 2001, she was promoted to Personnel Specialist III performing various tasks and working in Central Office Personnel. (Exhibit "15", Deposition of Lynn Hubbard, 19:1-2). She is currently working in that same position. Ms. Hubbard is a high school graduate but does not have a degree from a four-year institution. (Exhibit"16", Employment Application of Lynn Hubbard).

FACTS

In 1965, the Department of Mental Health was created and established as a department of the state government. §22-311 *Code of Alabama* (Supp. 1965). At that time, the governor and thirteen trustees and their successors were appointed to serve as the Mental Health Board. §22-312 *Code of Alabama* (Supp. 1965). This section gave the Mental Health Board control over Alabama state hospitals and Partlow state school and hospital. §22-318 *Code of Alabama* (Supp. 1965).

§22-321 Code of Alabama (Supp. 1965) gave the Mental Health Board the power to elect an executive officer, known as the State Mental Health Officer. This position allowed the State Mental Health Officer to appoint all officers and employees of the board and to select with his approval all staff members and employees under the direction of the Mental Health Board. *Id.* Additionally, the employees of ADMH were determined to be

governed under the personnel merit system rules and regulations, as other state employees. §22-320(20) Code of Alabama (Supp. 1965).

In 1984, the Alabama Legislature changed the composition of ADMH to consist of the ADMH Commissioner and divisions and administrative sections as the ADMH Commissioner may direct. §22-50-2 (1975). The Governor was granted authority to appoint an ADMH Commissioner to serve at the pleasure of the Governor. §22-50-16 *Code of Alabama* (1975). Through this act, the Commissioner was granted the power to "appoint all officers and employees of the department or he may authorize any superintendent, division or bureau head, or other administrator to select with his approval all staff members and employees. . ." *Id.* The Commissioner has the right to appoint officers and employees "without regard to any limitation established by law, unless such law passed hereafter shall refer to the particular officer or employee." *Id.* Additionally, ADMH, through its Commissioner, was given the authority "to act in any prudent way to provide mental health services and mental retardation services for the people of Alabama." § 22-50-9(1975). These statutory provisions give rise to their interpretation.

In 1989, a Job Evaluation Committee was established by the ADMH to make recommendations to the Commissioner concerning the exempt classification and pay structure. This committee was established only to "make recommendations" to the Commissioner. The JEC reviews matters regarding:

- 1. Revisions to classification specifications;
- 2. Establishment of new job classifications;
- 3. Salary range adjustments in assigned classifications;

4. Substitution of training and experience for established minimum qualification requirements. (Exhibit "17", Functions of JEC, pp.1,2 and Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, attachment (5)).

The members of this Committee consisted of the following:

- 1. Henry Ervin, African-American male, Director, Bureau of Human Resources;
- Otha Dillihay, African-American male, Associate Commissioner of the Division of Administration;
- Susan Chambers, Caucasian female, Associate Commissioner of the Division of Mental Illness;
- Eranell Wilson, African-American female, Associate Commissioner of the Division of Mental Retardation;
- Kent Hunt, Caucasian male, Associate Commissioner of the Division of Substance Abuse;
- 6. John Zeigler, Caucasian male, Director of Public Information;
- 7. Paul Bisbee, Caucasian male, Director of Mental Illness Facilities;
- Judith Johnston, Caucasian female, Director of Mental Retardation Facilities.
 (See Exhibit "18", July 22, 2005 JEC minutes and Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, attachment (4)).

Plaintiffs Owens and Hubbard, as well as Defendant, Ms. Benson were employed as Personnel Specialist III in the Central Personnel Office. The duties of this position set forth in the job specification included:

 Supervises and coordinates recruitment, selection, and placement of personnel;

- Supervises and coordinates the processing of various personnel actions to include appointments, demotions, promotions, reclassifications, retirements, transfers, reallocations, and predisciplinary hearings;
- Provide technical assistance to department heads/facility directors, associate commissioners, the commissioner and/or HR director regarding various HR related matters;
- Announces vacancies and determines if experience and education indicated on applicants meets minimum qualifications;
- Confers with supervisors, managers, and other professionals in developing policies, programs, and procedures for effective coordination of HR services;
- Schedules and conducts interviews of candidates;
- Confers with state personnel, other agencies within or out of state regarding activities as they relate to HR;
- Represent HR and serve on various committees as assigned. (Exhibit
 "19", Job Specification of Personnel Specialist III).

However, these specification duties are general statements and the Director of Personnel can assign specific duties generally within these categories to different Personnel Specialist IIIs. (Exhibit "12", Deposition of Henry Ervin, 37:1-23; 38:1-23: 39:1-18). Also, a spec can be modified to some extent when a job is announced to reflect the duties of the position being filled as long as the modifications are not too significant. (Exhibit "12",

Deposition of Ervin, 37:1-23). Most of the specifications involved in this position require clerical duties.

When Otha Dillihay began his employment as Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel for ADMH in 2004, he believed the makeup and organization of the Central Personnel Office was lacking because of it not having the proper people trained in authority in times of emergencies or when Ervin was not present. (Exhibit "11" Deposition of Otha Dillihay, 135:3-9). Further, Mr. Dillihay researched the department's employees and realized that a large percentage of its employees were eligible for retirement. (Exhibit "11", Deposition of Otha Dillihay, 135:10-19) One particular employee who was eligible to retire was Henry Ervin, the Personnel Manager IV, Director of Central Office Personnel with ADMH. (Exhibit "11", Deposition of Otha Dillihay, 135:16-25; 136:103). Mr. Dillihay believed by creating the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, he could "lay the groundwork for the efficient and continual management of personnel functions in the event Mr. Ervin retired" until a permanent replacement could be found. (Exhibit "11", Deposition of Otha Dillihay, 136:6-7).

Mr. Dillihay and Mr. Ervin discussed the general structure and efficiency of the Personnel Department. Mr. Ervin worked on the creation of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position in conjunction with these many discussions. (Exhibit "11", Deposition of Otha Dillihay, 143:1-25, 144:1-25; 145:1-5). Since there was not an existing classification for this position, the class specification was sent to the State Personnel Department on February 3, 2005. (Exhibit "20", February 17, 2005 letter from ADMH). The State Personnel Office accepted this position on February 17, 2005. (*Id.*) Mr. Dillihay

and Commissioner Houston filled a request to fill this exempt position with the State Finance Director. (Exhibit "27", Request to Fill Exempt Position on Staffing Plan).

On June 14, 2005, Mr. Ervin prepared a memorandum to Commissioner Houston formalizing a request for permission to fill the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position. A Wage and Classification Study proposal was also formalized in this memo. (Exhibit "21", June 14, 2005 Memorandum). In this memo, with regard to the wage and classification study, the following was stated by Mr. Ervin:

> "The current antiquated structure has been in place for the past twenty years and has far out lived it's ability to provide the necessary equity and consistency that our pay and classification system needs. This is also an opportunity for us to completely over-haul existing class specifications." Id.

Further, Mr. Ervin demonstrates the fact that these matters had been previously discussed in the last line of the June 14, 2005 memo, as follows: "Let us know if you have additional questions or concerns." Id.

The Job Evaluation Committee held a meeting on July 22, 2005. The following members were present for this meeting: Henry Ervin, Kent Hunt, John Ziegler, Judith Johnston, Eranell Wilson, and June Lynn. (Exhibit "18", Minutes of the July 22, 2005 JEC Meeting). At that meeting, the JEC approved the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager for recommendation to the Commissioner, an act that was actually unnecessary since the Commissioner had already approved the position. However, the Committee agreed to delay posting this announcement until the beginning of the fiscal year. (Id.) Further, although Commissioner Houston's deposition testimony has not been

received from the Court Reporter yet (taken on 6/26), and this will have to be provided by supplementation when the transcript is received, the Commissioner testified that he would not have approved this position with a substitution provision and that it requires a Bachelor's Degree.

June Lynn, who had previously served as the Executive Assistant and Advisory Attorney to the Associate Commissioner for Administration at ADMH, assumed Mr. Dillihay's position when he transferred to Associate Commissioner of Mental Illness. (*Id.*) Ms. Lynn, a Caucasian, served in this position until November 12, 2005, when Mr. Dillihay re-assumed his previous position. (Exhibit "5," Affidavit of June Lynn, pp. 1-2, ¶1).

During Ms. Lynn's tenure as Acting Associate Commissioner, ADMH began to investigate the best alternative for conducting a wage and classification study. (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, p.3, ¶ 1). The last wage and classification study was performed in 1985. The 1985 study permitted substitution for some, but not all classifications. "Substitution" is the allowance of experience of a certain type and specified time as an alternative to meeting specified educational qualifications. ADMH used to permit one year of job-related experience to be substituted for one year of college. However, this was changed to permit two years of job-related experience to be substituted for one year of college. Mr. Dillihay expressed his concern about the year for year substitution. (*Id.*) On May 4, 2005, the Job Evaluation Committee adopted the two for one substitution allowance, where two years of job-related experience was substituted for one year of college. (Exhibit "22", Minutes of the May 4, 2005 JEC Meeting and Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, attachment (1)).

ADMH met with Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM) to inquire about their services to conduct a wage and classification study. (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, p.4, ¶ 1). ADMH believed AUM gave them a high quote to conduct the study. (*Id.*) In an effort to lower its expenses, ADMH advertised a Request for Proposal to obtain this study. ADMH selected the Segal Group to conduct the wage and classification study. (*Id.* at p.4, ¶ 1). A contract for this study was executed between the parties on February 1, 2007. (*Id.* at p. 5, ¶5). The Segal Group presented its final report to ADMH in November 2007. To date, the Commissioner has continued to analyze the findings from the wage and classification study. According to Ms. Lynn, the new specifications will be released individually, as necessary, once the Commissioner has had an opportunity to study the new specifications and their impact. (*Id.*)

During her time in this position, Ms. Lynn examined and approved the specification for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, p. 2, ¶1). Ms. Lynn agreed with the requirement of a Bachelor's Degree for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position without any substitution. (*Id.*). Further, Susan Chambers, a Caucasian female who served as the Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness for ADMH, agrees this position should require a Bachelor's Degree. (Exhibit "2", Affidavit of Susan Chambers, p.3).

Commissioner Houston reviewed a copy of the specification and approved the position with the requirement of a Bachelor's Degree. (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, p.7, ¶3). Additionally, Commissioner Houston preferred to require that a person applying for this position possess a Master's Degree, but permitted a Bachelor's Degree only, without substitution. (*Id.*)

On September 15, 2005, an announcement was sent out for the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. (Exhibit "23", September 15, 2005 Announcement of Assistant Departmental Personnel Manager). Among the qualifications listed in this announcement were:

Bachelor's degree in Human Resource Management/Personnel Management, Business Administration, Public Administration, or related field. Extensive experience (72 months or more) working in a professional personnel management position, plus experience (24 months or more) in a supervisory capacity. Preference will be given to individuals with:

- Master's Degree in any of the above specified fields of study.
- Work experience in the governmental/public sector.
- Work experience in a healthcare setting.

Additionally, the job description for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager included:

- Plans, organizes, develops, coordinates, and implements a comprehensive personnel management program;
- Coordinates efforts to include various personnel functions, such as recruitment, selection, job placement, position classification, employee training, performance appraisals, and affirmative action;
- Maintains on-going classification and pay information from governmental agencies and the private sector;
- Consults with the Department of Human Resources, other department heads, administrators, supervisors and employees on rules,

regulations, and provides recommendations concerning such matters as performance evaluations, promotions, demotions, transfers and dismissals:

- Conducts and/or attends staff meetings, state personnel meetings, or personnel officer meetings;
- Gathers information and prepares budget for Central Office Personnel Division and monitors expenditures;
- Coordinates various supervisory training for Departmental Personnel Officers and makes oral presentations as needed;
- Supervises clerical and para-professional staff and conducts annual performance evaluations. (*Id.*)

The job specifications for this position were approved by the Commissioner. (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, p.8, ¶ 12). His testimony demonstrated that he had confidence in the selection process. Commissioner Houston did speak with Lynn Hubbard concerning the job specification, but testified that the process was completely independent and objective. Mike Mathis, a white male who is the Personnel Director at Partlow, received and graded the applications. (Exhibit "1", Affidavit of Mike Mathis, p. 1 &2, ¶1&2). There were two announcements of this job. (Exhibit "4", Affidavit of Becky Burell, p.1&2, ¶1&2). The second announcement and an ad in the Tuscaloosa News were required after Ms. Benson had already applied. (Exhibit "3", Affidavit of Betty Beck, p. 1, ¶ 1 and attachment). She applied in the first round on September 29, 2005, before the September 30, 2005 closing. (Exhibit "30", Application of Marilyn Benson).

Shortly after this announcement was made, Plaintiff Owens informed Ms. Lynn that she intended to apply for the position. (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, p. 8, ¶ 12). Ms. Lynn told Ms. Owens she could not apply for the position since she did not have a fouryear degree at a college or university. Ms. Owens requested that a substitution provision be added to the announcement and Ms. Lynn told her that she could not add a substitution provision and that she agreed that the position required a Bachelor's Degree. (Id.)

In an effort to avoid any conflicts within the Central Office, Henry Ervin had all applications sent to Mike Mathis, the Personnel Director at W.D. Partlow Developmental Center. (Exhibit "1", Affidavit of Mike Mathis, p.2, ¶3 and attachments). Becky Burell, a Caucasian female and Personnel Specialist II at the Central Personnel Office, sent out the first announcement for this position to all State facilities of the ADMH, as well as placing the position on the ADMH website. (Exhibit "4", Affidavit of Becky Burell, p.1, ¶1-2 and attachments). Mr. Mathis, a Caucasian male, received five applications for the position on or before September 30, 2005. (Exhibit "1", Affidavit of Mike Mathis "" p.2, ¶ 4 and attachments). The following applicants were graded by Mr. Mathis:

- 1. Marilyn Benson (an African-American female from Montgomery, Alabama);
- 2. Commie Carter (an African-American female from Montgomery, Alabama);
- 3. Danielle Coteat (an African-American female from Birmingham, Alabama);
- 4. Tracey Bailey (a Caucasian female from Moundville, Alabama);
- 5. Jessica Eiland (a Caucasian female from Brantley, Alabama).

Mr. Mathis graded these applications and forwarded the results in an email to Commissioner Houston. (Exhibit "29", Mathis E-mail to Commissioner Houston and Exhibit "1", Affidavit of Mike Mathis, attachment). In regards to Mr. Mathis' role in grading the applications, Ms. Owens testified as follows:

- Q. Do you believe Mike Mathis is a good personnel director?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Do you believe he's qualified to grade applications for a job of this type?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Do you believe that he would honestly evaluate the applications for the job once they were received by him?
- A. Yes. I'm not contending that the interview process was not done correctly. What I am contending, I was denied the opportunity to even apply, sir. (Exhibit "13", Deposition of June Owens, 67:2-18).

In order to obtain more applicants, a second announcement was sent and an ad was placed in the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u>. (Exhibit "3", Affidavit of Betty Beck, p.1, ¶1 and attachment) Ms. Burell is unsure as to whether she is the person who sent this second announcement. (Exhibit "4", Affidavit of Becky Burell, p.2, ¶2). Betty Beck, a Caucasian female who worked under Mike Mathis at Partlow, was asked to place an advertisement in the classified section of the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u>. (Exhibit "3", Affidavit of Betty Beck and attachment). She placed this advertisement to run on October 23, 2005. However, this advertisement was unable to run on that date due to a financial problem. Exhibit "3", Affidavit of Betty Beck, pp. 1-2; ¶1). Once this problem was corrected, the advertisement ran again. (*Id.* at p.2) Mr. Mathis obtained two additional applications from this subsequent announcement and ad. These applicants were:

- 1. Chadwick Bivins (an African-American male from Montgomery, Alabama);
- 2. Arylin Jenkins (an African-American female from Tuscaloosa, Alabama).

Once again, Mr. Mathis graded the applications. He forwarded them, with his grading sheet, to ADMH. Three applicants, Ms. Benson, Ms. Carter, and Ms. Coteat, all African-Americans, qualified and more interviewed for this position. (Exhibit "1", Affidavit of Mike Mathis, p. 3, ¶5.) A five-person interview panel conducted the interview process for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. (Exhibit "2", Affidavit of Susan Chambers, p.1, ¶3). The interview panel consisted of:

- Eranelle Wilson, African-American female, Associate Commissioner for Mental Retardation;
- 2. Kent Hunt, Caucasian male, Associate Commissioner for Substance Abuse;
- Doug Lunsford, Caucasian male, Employee of the State Personnel Department; (Mr. Lunsford was not employed by ADMH, but instead, was independent of ADMH.)
- David Bennett, African-American male, Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel;
- Susan Chambers, Caucasian female, Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness.

The applicants were graded by each member of the interview panel. (Exhibit "24", Assessment for Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager and Exhibit "2", Affidavit of Susan Chambers, attachment). Defendant Benson received the highest score from every panel member. (*Id.*) As a result, Commissioner Houston hired Ms. Benson as Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager on March 3, 2006. (Exhibit "25", Appointment letter.)

On March 3, 2006, the same day Ms. Benson was hired, Plaintiffs filed their charge of discrimination with EEOC. (Exhibit "31", EEOC Initial Charge, pp. 1-2.)

ARGUMENT

PLAINTIFFS FAIL TO STATE A CLAIM AS A MATTER OF LAW FOR RACIAL DISCRIMINATION UNDER TITLE VII, § 1981 AND THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT.

"When §1981 is used as a remedy for employment discrimination, the elements required to establish a claim are the same as those required for a claim under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Riley v. Emory University, 136 Fed. Appx. 264, 266 (Ga. 2005), Howard v. B.P. Oil Co., 32 F.3d 520, 524 (11th Cir. 1994). A violation of the Fourteenth Amendment, which is enforceable pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1983, consists of the deprivation of a right or privilege secured by the Constitution or laws of the United States by a person acting under state law. *Douglas v. Evans*, 888 F. Supp. 1536, 1542 (M.D. Ala. 1995). The burden of proof and elements for each prima facie case are the same for all three claims. St. Mary's Honor Ctr. v. Hicks, 509 U.S. 502 (1993). The 11th Circuit in Bass v. Board of County Com'rs., Orange County Florida, 256 F.3d 1095 (11th Cir. 2001), provided the framework through which to examine Title VII reverse discrimination claims. The Court found "discrimination is discrimination no matter what the race, color, religion, sex, or national origin of the victim." Id. at 1103; McDonald v. Santa Fe Trail Transp. Co., 427 U.S. 273, 280 (1976). Additionally, the Court stated that Bass' Title VII reverse discrimination claim would be analyzed as any other discrimination claim. Bass at 1103.

Title VII claims against a state official in his or her official capacity are redundant. See Blackledge v. Ala. Dep't. Of Mental Health & Mental Retardation, 2007 WL 3124452 (M.D. Ala. Oct. 25, 2007), Willis v. Ga. Dep't. Of Natural Resources, 2007 WL 2908458 (M.D. Ga. Sept. 29, 2007). "Suits against an official in his or her official capacity are suits against the entity the individual represents." Bennett v. Chatam County Sherif's Dep't., 2008 WL 628908 (S.D. Ga. 2008). As a result, the Title VII claims, as well as the 1981 and 1983 claims, should be dismissed against Commissioner John Houston, Otha Dillihay, Henry Ervin, and Marilyn Benson in their official capacities.

Further, the Eleventh Circuit has previously held that "[i]ndividual capacity suits under Title VII are ... inappropriate. *Busby v. City of Orlando*, 931 F. 2d 764 (11th Cir. 1991). The relief granted under Title VII is against the employer, not individual employees whose actions would constitute a violation of the Act." *Braden v. PigglyWiggly*, 4 F. Supp. 2d 1357, 1364 (M.D. Ala. 1998), quoting *Busby v. City of Orlando*, 931 F. 2d 764, 772 (11 th Cir. 1991). Therefore, the Title VII claims and the 1981 claims should be dismissed against Commissioner Houston, Mr. Dillihay, Mr. Ervin, and Ms. Benson in their individual capacities.

Title VII, specifically, 42 U.S.C.A. §§ 2000e-2(a)(1) provides, in part, as follows: "It shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to ... discriminate against any individual with respect to his compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of such individual's race...." To prove discrimination, a plaintiff must establish a prima-facie case of . . .disparate treatment . . . Establishing a prima-facie case "creates a presumption that the employer unlawfully discriminated against the employee." *Tex.*

Dep't of Cmty. Affairs v. Burdine, 450 U.S. 248, 254 (1981); see also McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Green, 411 U.S. 792 (1973). The employee may meet this burden by persuading the fact finder either *directly* that a discriminatory reason more than likely motivated the employer or *indirectly* (circumstantially) that the proffered reason for the employment decision is not worthy of belief. *Id.* at 256.

Direct evidence consists of statements by a person with control over the employment decision "sufficient to prove discrimination without inference or presumption." Clark v. Coats & Clark, Inc., 990 F.2d 1217, 1223 (11th Cir. 1993). To constitute direct evidence, the statements must reflect a "discriminatory or retaliatory attitude correlating to the discrimination or retaliation complained of by the employee," Caban-Wheeler v. Elsea, 904 F.2d 1549, 1555 (11th Cir. 1990), and made "by a person involved in the challenged decision." Trotter v. Bd. of Trustees of Univ. of Ala., 91 F.3d 1449, 1453-54 (11th Cir. 1996). Direct evidence does not consist of statements that "only suggest discrimination" or "is subject to more than one interpretation." Merritt v. Dillard Paper Co., 120 F.3d 1181, 1189-90 (11th Cir. 1997). See Carter vs. Miami, 870 F.2d 578, 581-82 (11th Cir. 1989) ("[O]nly the most blatant remarks, whose intent would be nothing other than to discriminate constitute direct evidence of discrimination."). Stray remarks and statements by nondecision makers or statements by decision makers unrelated to the decision making process itself are not direct evidence of discrimination. Price Waterhouse v. Hopkins, 490 U.S. 228, 277 (1989) (O'Connor, J. concurring).

If the plaintiff makes an adequate showing of direct evidence of discrimination, the burden of proof then shifts to the employer to prove by a preponderance of the evidence

that it would have made the same employment decision absent any discriminatory intent. Wall v. Trust Co., 946 F.2d 805, 809-10 (11th Cir. 1991). [Commissioner Houston testified he would not have hired a person who did not have a Degree and would not have used substitution. The qualification had nothing to do with the Plaintiffs.]

Direct evidence, when used in the context of discrimination claims, does not refer to whether evidence is direct or circumstantial in the ordinary evidentiary sense in which we normally think of those terms. Instead, direct evidence refers to a type of evidence which, if true, would require no inferential leap in order for a court to find discrimination. Bass v. Board of County Comm'rs. 256 F.3d 1095 (11th Cir. 2001). Before a statement can be considered direct evidence of discrimination, it must be made by a person involved in the challenged decision. Trotter v. Bd. of Trustees of Univ. Ala., 91 F.3d 1449, 1453-54 (11th Cir. 1996).

Circumstantial evidence may be demonstrated through the framework established by the United States Supreme Court in McDonnell Douglas v. Green, 411 U.S. 792, 801-05 (1973) and Tex. Dep't. of Community Affairs v. Burdine, 450 U.S. 248 (1981). Under the McDonnell Douglas standard, the plaintiff has the initial burden of establishing a prima facie case of discrimination. 1 Id. at 411 U.S. at 802; Tex. Dep't. of Cmty. Affairs v. Burdine. 450 U.S. 248, 253-54 & n.6; Combs v. Plantation Patterns, 106 F.3d 1519, 1527-28 (11th Cir.1997), cert. denied, 522 U.S. 1045, 118 S.Ct. 685 (1997). "Disparate treatment claims require proof of discriminatory intent either through direct or circumstantial evidence."

¹ See Anderson v. Twitchell-A Tyco Int'l Ltd., 76 F. Supp. 2d 1279, 1287 n. 9 (M.D. Ala.1999); Coco v. Elmwood Care, Inc., 128 F.3d 1177, 1180 (7th Cir.1997).

Mathis v. Wachovia Bank, formerly known as Southtrust, 509 F. Supp. 2d 1125, 1132 (N.D. Fla. 2007), quoting E.E.O.C. v. Joe's Stone Crab, 220 F. 3d 1263, 1286 (11th Cir. 2000). To prove a prima facie case of disparate treatment, a plaintiff must show: 1) she is a member of a protected class; 2) she was qualified for the job; 3) she suffered an adverse employment action; and 4) she was replaced by a person outside her protected class or was treated less favorably than a similarly-situated individual outside her protected class. ld.

With regard to the above-numbered elements, please note: 2) In this case, the Plaintiffs were not qualified based upon the Commissioner's requirement of a Degree; 3) There was no adverse employment action because the Plaintiffs neither could nor did qualify for the job; 4) The Plaintiffs were not replaced at all. They hold the same job. Further, this job was applied for by two Caucasians, both of whom had college degrees and the announcements and the ad were such that any number of Caucasians could have applied if they had chosen to do so. Additionally, the Plaintiffs and Ms. Benson are not similarly situated in that (a) Ms. Benson has the longest tenure in Central Office Personnel and (b) Ms. Benson has both a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree in the required areas.

In order to establish a prima facie case, a plaintiff must present "evidence adequate to create an inference that an employment decision was based on a[n] [illegal] discriminatory criterion...." O'Connor v. Consol. Coin Caterers Corp., 517 U.S. 308, 312 (1996) (quoting Int'l. Bhd. of Teamsters v. U.S., 431 U.S. 324, 358 (1977)). If the plaintiff successfully establishes a prima facie case, a legal presumption of unlawful discrimination arises and the burden shifts to the employer to articulate a legitimate, nondiscriminatory reason for the challenged employment action. McDonnell Douglas, 411 U.S. at 802; Burdine, 450 U.S. at 254; Combs, 106 F.3d at 1528.

"To satisfy that burden of production, '[t]he defendant need not persuade the court that it was actually motivated by the proffered reasons. It is sufficient if the defendant's evidence raises a genuine issue of fact as to whether it discriminated against the plaintiff." Combs, 106 F.3d at 1528 (quoting Burdine, 450 U.S. at 254-55, 101 S.C.t at 1094). The burden on the employer is of production not persuasion, and is easily satisfied. Howard v. B.P. Oil Co., 32 F.3d 520, 524 (11th Cir. 1994). This intermediate burden is "exceedingly light." Turnes v. AmSouth Bank, N.A., 36 F. 3d 1057, 1061 (11th Cir. 1994).

If the employer meets the burden of production, "[t]he presumption, having fulfilled its role of forcing the defendant to come forward with some response, simply drops out of the picture." St. Mary's Honor Ctr. v. Hicks, 509 U.S. 502, 510-11 (1993); see also Burdine, 450 U.S. at 255 & n.10. Still, the elements of the prima facie case remain. Combs, 106 F.3d at 1528. If the employer meets its burden of producing legitimate nondiscriminatory reasons, the plaintiff must come forward with specific evidence demonstrating that the employer's actions were chosen to purposefully discriminate against the plaintiff.² Trotter v. Bd. of Trustees of Univ. of Ala., 91 F.3d 1449, 1453-54 (11th Cir. 1996). The United States Supreme Court has stated exactly what a plaintiff must prove:

> "Discriminatory purpose ... implies more than intent as volition or intent as awareness of consequences. It implies that the

² If the employee does not offer sufficient evidence showing that each and every proffered reason is pretextual, then summary judgment is mandatory. See Chapman v. Al Transp., 229 F.3d 1012, 1037 (11th Cir. 2000) (en banc) (citing Combs, 106 F.3d at 1543).

decision-maker ... selected or reaffirmed a particular course of action at least in part because of, not merely in spite of, its adverse effects upon an identifiable group."

Personnel Adm'r. v. Feeney, 442 U. S. 256, 279 (1979). The plaintiff may do this (1) by showing that the legitimate nondiscriminatory reasons should not be believed; or (2) by showing that, in light of all of the evidence, discriminatory reasons more likely motivated the decision than the proffered reasons. Mayfield v. Patterson Pump Co., 101 F.3d 1371, 1376 (11th Cir. 1996) (quoting Tex. Dep't. of Cmty. Affairs v. Burdine, 450 U.S. 248, 256 (1981)).

If the employer produces sufficient evidence that it took the employment action for one or more legitimate, non-discriminatory reasons, then the presumption of discrimination drops from the case, and the burden shifts back to the plaintiff to discredit the proffered non-discriminatory reasons by showing that the reasons were merely a pretext for unlawful discrimination. See McDonell Douglas, 411 U.S. at 802-05. In evaluating whether the reasons provided by the defendant are pretextual, the Eleventh Circuit has stated that "our precedent. . . requires a strong showing of a disparity in qualifications in order for an inference of discrimination to arise. Denney v. City of Albany, 247 F. 3d 1172, 1187 (11th Cir. 2001). "A plaintiff, however, only will be successful in establishing pretext if the "disparities in qualifications [are] of such weight and significance that no reasonable person, in the exercise of impartial judgment, could have chosen the candidate selected over the plaintiff for the job in question." Puckett v. McPhillips Shinbaum, 2008 WL 906569 (M.D. Ala. 2008), quoting Ash v. Tyson Foods, Inc., 546 U.S. 454, 456 (2006).

Of course, Ms. Benson, with more experience and a much better educational background, is clearly the better candidate. The Plaintiffs appear to say that because the wages and classification study is not finalized by way of the approval of the Commissioner. that the performance of such a study was either never intended or not significant. However, as shown by the affidavit of June Lynn, the wage and classification study went forward expeditiously, but hit a roadblock because of the initial price given to perform the study by Auburn University in Montgomery. For this reason, a Request for Proposal was necessary and the development and advertising of this Request took a great deal of time. After the advertisement of the Request, a number of proposals were provided to the ADMH which had to be analyzed. A contract was signed and the study went forward. The final report was provided to ADMH in November 2007. Meetings and additional analyses and discussions have taken place.

A specification or announcement for Mr. Ervin's position as Personnel Director has been released so this position can be filled and ADMH will release other specifications and, perhaps, all of them soon or as prudent and necessary (Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, attachment (3)). Nevertheless, it is not the fault of or delay by ADMH that has caused the wage and classification study finalization to be delayed.

Commissioner Houston testified (and his testimony will be provided as soon as received) that he approved the qualifications in the announcement and the specification and would not have approved a substitution provision. The new wage and class study will allow ADMH to modernize and bring job qualifications to a level that is more consistent with the educational opportunities and realities of the day.

A. Plaintiffs do not meet the minimum qualifications for the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Plaintiffs fail to make an adequate showing of direct evidence of disparate treatment. In their Complaint, Plaintiff Owens alleges she approached June Lynn, who at the time was Acting Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel, and announced to Ms. Lynn that she intended to apply for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. Ms. Lynn responded that the position required a Bachelor's Degree and contained no substitution provision. After Ms. Owens asked for a substitution provision in the announcement, Ms. Lynn responded that she could not and would not put one in and that she agreed with the Bachelor Degree minimum requirement. Following her conversation with Ms. Lynn, Ms. Owens spoke with Mr. Ervin regarding the newly created position. Ms. Owens stated that Mr. Ervin told her that he would not provide a substitution provision for them.

Plaintiffs are unable to show that they have ever heard any statements that reflect a discriminatory attitude by the ADMH. Additionally, they have not heard statements made by any person involved in the decision making process that were derogatory towards Caucasians. Instead, Ms. Owens' encounters with Ms. Lynn and Mr. Ervin merely suggest that they refused to permit a substitution provision in the announcement for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position. Plaintiffs fail to show any direct evidence of racial discrimination in this case.

Using circumstantial evidence, based on the suggestion of Mr. Dillihay, ADMH decided to create a new position to assist Mr. Ervin, the Director of Central Office Personnel, and to otherwise serve Mr. Dillihay's purposes as set forth on pages 134

through 137 to the Deposition of Otha Dillihay. Mr. Ervin prepared the job specification for this new position. Mr. Ervin forwarded a copy of the job specification to the State Personnel Department. Jackie Graham, the State Personnel Director, accepted the creation of this position. (See Exhibit "26", February 3, 2005, memo from Ervin to Graham.)

On July 22, 2005, the Job Evaluation Committee approved the position for recommendation to the Commissioner to be announced at the beginning of the next fiscal year. (See Exhibit "18", July 22, 2005, JEC minutes and Exhibit "5", Affidavit of June Lynn, attachment (4), pp. 1-3).

Commissioner Houston, pursuant to §22-50-9, §22-50-16, and §22-50-41, *Code of Alabama* (1975), reviewed the job specification and approved this position with the educational requirement and without any substitution provision.

In *Alford v. City of Montgomery*, 879 F. Supp 1143 (M.D. Ala. 1995), this Court found that the distinction between Center Director Level II and Center Director Level III prevented the claimant from being qualified. If one cannot meet the requirements of the job, they are not qualified. Furthermore, in *Alford*, the Court found that because the plaintiff in that case was not qualified and thus not considered for the job, she could not have been discriminated against. *Supra*.

This job requires an individual with a Bachelor's Degree from a four-year college or university. The Plaintiffs admitted they have never attended a university. Using the reasoning previously stated in *Alford*, the Plaintiffs could not have been discriminated

В. Joan Owens and Karen Hubbard were not similarly situated to Marilyn Benson.

Prior to her employment with ADMH, Joan Owens worked as a Personnel Director of Elmore Community Hospital. She began with ADMH in 1990 as a Personnel Specialist. Then, she worked as a Personnel Director at Greil Hospital for six months and Susan Chambers, the former Administrator of Griel, in her affidavit testified that Ms. Owens could not perform the job adequately. (See Exhibit "2", Affidavit of Susan Chambers, pp. 2-3, ¶3). She was employed as a Personnel Specialist III in the Central Office. Ms. Owens never obtained a Bachelor's Degree from a four-year college or university.

Karen Hubbard began with ADMH in 1991 as a Clerk Typist in the Mental Retardation division. She was then transferred to the Central Personnel Office to work as clerical support to the Personnel Specialist. Then, she was promoted to Administrative Support Assistant III. In 2001, Ms. Hubbard obtained another promotion to serve as Personnel Specialist III. She has been in her current position for approximately seven years. Ms. Hubbard did not obtain a Bachelor's Degree from a four-year college or university.

Marilyn Benson graduated from Auburn University in 1981 with a Bachelor's Degree in Health Services Administration. She began her employment as an Officer Manager at Neuropsychiatry Associates in Montgomery, Alabama. Ms. Benson started working with ADMH in 1983 as a Research Assistant. In 1984, she served as a Planning Specialist for the department. In her positions as Research Assistant and Planning Specialist, Ms.

Benson worked directly with facilities. Ms. Benson was promoted to Personnel Specialist in 1987 and occupied that position until her most recent promotion in 2006. Currently, Ms. Benson is employed as the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Several factors indicate the Plaintiffs are not similarly situated to Ms. Benson. First, Ms. Benson has a Bachelor's Degree, as well as a Master's Degree. Neither Ms. Owens, nor Ms. Hubbard obtained a Bachelor's Degree. Therefore, the Plaintiffs lack the educational background of Ms. Benson.

Next, Ms. Benson began working with ADMH in 1983 as a Research Assistant. She has been employed as a Planning Specialist and Personnel Specialist during her time with ADMH. Ms. Owens began her employment with ADMH in 1990, seven years after Ms. Benson's date of hire. She has worked as a Personnel Specialist and Personnel Director at Greil Hospital and Assistant Personnel Director at Tarwater.

Susan Chambers, who supervised Ms. Owens at Greil Hospital described Ms. Owens as a task-oriented worker who was proficient in accomplishing tasks that were given to her to perform. (Exhibit "2," Affidavit of Susan Chambers, pp. 2-3, ¶3). However, Ms. Chambers further stated Ms. Owens did not know how to deal with merit registers or payroll. Further, she lacked the knowledge, experience or ability to serve as a manager who was capable of planning and being creative and imaginative in the management role. These observations from her previous supervisor show Ms. Owens was not a qualified candidate for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager for additional reasons other than her educational experience. (Id.)

Next, Ms. Benson was employed as a Personnel Specialist III for approximately eighteen years. By comparison, Ms. Owens has only served in this capacity for approximately seven years and Ms. Hubbard had been employed in this position for approximately four years at the time the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position was announced. Ms. Benson had a greater amount of experience than the Plaintiffs and a much greater amount of education.

C. ADMH had a legitimate, non-discriminatory reason for not hiring the plaintiffs as Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Even if the Court were to find that the Plaintiffs have proven a prima facie case of discrimination, the Defendants have met their burden of producing non-discriminatory reasons for requiring the qualifications which happened to rule out these Plaintiffs as candidates.

The sole reason the Plaintiffs were not hired by ADMH is because they failed to qualify for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position due to their lack of educational requirements. This newly created position was classified as an upper level management position. Due to this high level position, Commissioner Houston, within his authority as Commissioner, approved this position to require a four-year Bachelor's Degree from a college or university without any substitution provision and approved a wage and class study to move forward so classification qualifications could be brought current. Plaintiffs were unable to apply for this position. Seven applicants applied for the position. Of the seven applicants, two African-Americans and two Caucasians failed to meet the minimum qualifications for Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. Three African-Americans who met the minimum qualifications for the position were interviewed.

Defendant Marilyn Benson, who scored the highest from the interview panel, was hired as Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. After ADMH posted two separate announcements, as well as placing an advertisement in a newspaper, it is difficult to understand how anyone could prove a prima facie case of discrimination or an intent to discriminate with the broad array of applicants who responded to either the advertisement or the announcements. Many qualified people were allowed the opportunity to compete for this job.

In addition, Ms. Benson was far more qualified than the Plaintiffs. Ms. Benson not only had a Bachelor's Degree, she also obtained a Master's Degree in Public Administration. Ms. Benson was employed with ADMH since 1983, seven years prior to Ms. Owens' hiring and eight years before Ms. Hubbard was hired. Further, Ms. Benson had been employed in her position as a Personnel Specialist since 1987, well before the Plaintiffs were hired in this position. As a result of these differences, Ms. Benson was far more qualified for this position than the Plaintiffs.

As the Defendants have met their burden of producing a non-discriminatory reason for not hiring the Plaintiffs, the Plaintiffs must show this reason is simply a pretext to cover up the discrimination. As such, the Plaintiffs cannot meet this burden.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION, AN AGENCY OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA, IS PROTECTED FROM SUIT BY ABSOLUTE OR SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

"The Eleventh Amendment bars suits directly against a State or its agencies, regardless of the relief sought." Blackledge v. Ala. Dep't. Of Mental Health & Mental Retardation, 2007 WL 3124452, (M.D. Ala.). ADMH is a department managed and

operated under the State of Alabama pursuant to §22-50-2 Code of Alabama (1975) through §22-50-42, Code of Alabama (1975). ADMH is entitled to absolute immunity under Alabama law, Blackledge v. Ala. Dep't. Of Mental Health & Mental Retardation, 2007 WL 3124452, (M.D. Ala.); Papasan v. Allain, 478 U.S. 265, 276 (1986); Pennehurst State School & Hosp. v. Halderman, 465 U.S. 89, 100-01 (1984).

Article I, Section 14, of the Alabama Constitution of 1901 provides that, "the State of Alabama shall never be made a defendant in any court of law or equity." The Alabama Supreme Court has recognized that, "the wall of immunity erected by Section 14 is nearly impregnable and bars (1) claims against the State, (2) claims against a State agency, (3) claims against a State official or employee sued in his official capacity as agent for the State, and (4) claims against a State official or employee sued in his individual capacity." Ex Parte Davis, 930 So. 2d 497, 500 (Ala. 2005). These four categories of application of Section 14, however, are stated quite broadly and require further explanation. There is no doubt that the State of Alabama is absolutely immune from suit for any theory of action in tort or contract under State law. There are four categories of matters, however, that have historically been listed as areas where the State is subject to suit. None of those categories comport with the allegations in the instant case. In Milton v. Espey, 356 So. 2d 1201 (Ala. 1978), the court discussed and quoted Aland v. Graham, 250 So. 2d 671 (Ala. 1971) which sets forth these four categories as follows:

"Without professing to cover every situation that has arisen, there are four general categories of action that we have held do not come within the prohibition of Sec. 14. (1) Actions brought to compel State officials to perform their legal duties. Department of Industrial Relations v. West Boylston Manufacturing Co., 253 Ala. 67, 42 So. 2d 787; Metcalf v. Department of Industrial Relations, 245 Ala. 299, 16 So. 2d 787. (2) Actions brought to

enjoin State officials from enforcing an unconstitutional law. Glass v. Prudential Insurance Co. Of America, 246 Ala. 579, 22 So. 2d 13; Southall v. Stricos Corp., supra. (3) Actions to compel State officials to perform ministerial acts. Curry v. Woodstock Slag Corp., 242 Ala. 379, 6 So. 2d 479, and cases there cited. (4) Actions brought under the Declaratory Judgments Act, Tit. 7, §156 et seq, Code 1940, seeking construction of a statute and how it should be applied in a given situation. Curry v. Woodstock Slag Corp., supra, and cases there cited." 287 Ala. at 229-230, 250 So. 2d at 679.

Generally, actions for money damages against state officials in their official capacity are barred by the Eleventh Amendment. Will v. Mich. Dep't. of State Police, 491 U.S. 58, 71 (1989). However, claims seeking equitable relief against a state official in his or her official capacity survive. Blackledge at 8. Therefore, the plaintiffs' claims seeking equitable relief against the defendants in their official capacities will survive as an exception to the Eleventh Amendment, if there is otherwise validity in proof of a prima facie case.

The case law is clear, however, that the State does have absolute or sovereign immunity from suit, unless the suit is to obtain relief pursuant to the above exceptions, all of which are equitable in nature. The State cannot be sued in tort for damages, irrespective of allegations of malice or intent. Therefore, ADMH, being an agency of the State, should be granted Summary Judgment in this matter as to all claims.

STATE OFFICIALS SUED IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY

The case of Ex Parte Cranman, 792 So. 2d 392 (Ala. 2000) has clarified the Rule with regard to the immunity of a State agent or officer who has been sued in a civil case in a personal capacity. The case makes the following statement,

"We therefore restate the rule governing State-agent immunity:

[4] A State agent shall be immune from civil liability in his or her personal capacity when the conduct made the basis of the claim against the agent is based upon the agent's

- (1) formulating plans, policies, or designs; or
- (2) Exercising his or her judgment in the administration of a department or agency of government, including, but not limited to, examples such as:
 - making administrative adjudications; (a)
 - allocating resources; (b)
 - negotiating contracts; (c)
 - hiring, firing, transferring, assigning, or supervising (d) personnel; or
- (3) discharging duties imposed on a department or agency by statute, rule, or regulation, insofar as the statute, rule, or regulation prescribes the manner for performing the duties and the State agent performs the duties in that manner; or
- [5] Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the foregoing statement of the rule, a State agent shall not be immune from civil liability in his or her personal capacity
- (1) when the Constitution or laws of the United States, or the Constitution of this State, or laws, rules or regulations of this State enacted or promulgated for the purpose of regulating the activities of a governmental agency require otherwise; or
- (2) when the State agent acts willfully, maliciously, fraudulently, in bad faith, beyond his or her authority, or under a mistaken interpretation of the law."

Therefore, in accordance with the rules set forth above, Commissioner Houston, Mr. Dillihay, Mr. Ervin and Ms. Benson are entitled to State Agent immunity in accordance with the *Cranman* case, supra., for the following reasons:

- 1. They were exercising their judgment in the administration of a department or agency of government.
 - 2. They were making administrative adjudications.
- 3. They were discharging their duties imposed on a department or agency by statute, rule or regulation, insofar as the statute, rule, or regulation prescribes the manner for performing the duties and the State Agent performs the duties in that manner.

4. They were exercising judgment in the discharge of their duties imposed by statute, rule or regulation in . . . hiring personnel.

The exception to the applicability of State Agent immunity to these individuals in their personal capacities does not apply here. The Plaintiff says that these Defendants fall within the exception below:

"When the State agent acts willfully, maliciously, fraudulently, in bad faith, beyond his or her authority or under mistaken interpretation of law."

In no way, however, does the evidence in this case support a finding or create an issue of fact concerning conduct by the four individuals sued that would constitute willfulness, maliciousness, fraud, bad faith, action beyond authority or under mistaken interpretation of law. The four individual Defendants in their individual capacity should be granted Summary Judgment as to the Plaintiffs' state law claims.

PLAINTIFFS FAIL TO MEET THE ELEMENTS REQUIRED TO PROVE DEFENDANTS NEGLIGENTLY, WANTONLY, OR WILFULLY BREACHED ITS DUTY OF CARE TO THE PLAINTIFFS.

In a negligence action, the plaintiff must prove: 1) the defendant owed the plaintiff a duty; 2) the defendant breached that duty; 3) the plaintiff suffered a loss or injury; and 4) the defendant's breach was the actual and proximate cause of the plaintiff's loss or injury. Dibiasi v. Joe Wheeler Electric Membership Corp., 2008 WL 110451 (Ala. 2008). Negligence is defined as an "inattention, thoughtlessness, or heedlessness, a lack of due care." Ex Parte McNeil, 63 So. 992 (Ala. 1913).

Willful and wanton conduct is defined as a "reckless disregard of the safety of another." Phillips v. United Serv. Auto. Ass'n., 2008 WL 110475 (Ala.) This conduct imports premeditation, or knowledge and consciousness that the injury is likely to result from the act done or from the omission to act. (Id.)

Plaintiffs have failed to meet this burden. There is no evidence to suggest the Defendants acted with any lack of due care or reckless disregard of the Plaintiffs in filling this position. Here, Defendants did not owe the Plaintiffs a duty to hire them as Assistant Department Personnel Manager. Instead, Defendants owed a duty to ADMH to consider and hire the most qualified candidates to fill this newly created position.

The Defendants followed proper procedures in filling the requirements of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position. §22-50-9 Code of Alabama (1975) authorizes the Commissioner "to act in any prudent way to provide mental health services and mental retardation services for the people of Alabama." § 22-50-16 Code of Alabama (1975) permits the Commissioner to "appoint all officers and employees of the department. ... This is so "without regard to any limitation established by law". Mr. Ervin prepared a memorandum to Commissioner Houston explaining the need to create the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, an exempt position, and to conduct a Wage and Classification Study. Of course, this memo was a formalization of prior discussions with the Commissioner. (Exhibit "29" was also a formalization of a prior oral discussion and approval.) Jackie Graham, the State Personnel Director, accepted the creation of this position. Acting within his full authority as provided by Alabama law, Commissioner Houston approved the job specification.

The announcement for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager was sent out on September 15, 2005. Five applicants submitted applications for this position prior

to September 30, 2005. ADMH re-announced the position and placed an ad in the Tuscaloosa News on October 30, 2005, which ran through November 5, 2005. (See Exhibit "28", the invoice from the Tuscaloosa News.) Two additional applications were received. These applications were fully considered and graded by Mike Mathis. However, neither of these applicants met the minimum qualifications.

Mike Mathis is a Caucasian male at Partlow Developmental Center in Tuscaloosa. Clearly, the Central Personnel Office did not grade the applications.

A five-person interview panel consisting of three Caucasians and two African-Americans conducted the interviews of the three prospective candidates. One of these individuals is employed at the Alabama Personnel Department. Each member of this panel rated Ms. Benson as the most qualified candidate. As a result, Commissioner Houston, within his authority as Commissioner of ADMH, hired Ms. Benson as Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. The hiring of Ms. Benson was not a negligent, wanton/willful breach of duty performed by the Defendants.

PLAINTIFFS FAIL TO MEET THE ELEMENTS REQUIRED TO PROVE INTENTIONAL INTERFERENCE WITH BUSINESS RELATIONS.

In order to prevail on a claim for intentional interference with business or contractual relations, a plaintiff must prove: 1) the existence of a contract or business; 2) defendant's knowledge of the contract or business relation; 3) intentional interference by the defendant with the contract or business relation; and 4) damage to the plaintiff as a result of the interference. Pouncy v. Vulcan Materials Co., 920 F.Supp. 1566 (N.D.Ala. 1996). To establish a claim for intentional interference with business relations, a plaintiff must show, inter alia, "that the defendant is a 'third party,' i.e., a 'stranger' to the contract with which

the defendant allegedly interfered." Nimbus Tech., Inc. v. SunnData Products, Inc., 484 F. 3d 1305 (Ala. 2007).

Additionally, "neither a party to the contract nor an agent or employee of a party to the contract, if acting with the scope of authority, can be liable for tortious interference with the contract." See Hickman v. Winston County Hosp., 508 So.2d 237, 239-40 (Ala. 1987); Lolley v. Howell, 504 So. 2d 253, 255-56 (Ala. 1987). The plaintiff must also produce evidence of fraud, force, or coercion on the defendant's part. Joe Cooper & Assoc., Inc. v. Central Life Assurance Co., 614 So.2d 982 (Ala. 1992).

In this case, Plaintiffs fail to establish the elements required to prove a claim of Intentional Interference with Business Relations. First, the Plaintiffs are unable to prove the Defendants are a third party to the business with which the Defendants allegedly interfered. Instead, the business relationship only existed between the Plaintiffs and ADMH. There were only two parties involved in this process.

Additionally, the Defendants were acting within their scope of authority throughout the existence of their business relationship. Commissioner Houston, Mr. Dillihay and Mr. Ervin, as upper level management at ADMH, used their authority granted by their positions at ADMH to hire a Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. Ms. Benson played no role in her hiring, other than applying and interviewing for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. Therefore, Plaintiffs fail to meet their burden of proving their Intentional Interference with Business Relations claim.

PLAINTIFFS ARE UNABLE TO PROVE THE STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION IS LIABLE FOR THE ACTIONS OF THE DEFENDANTS UNDER RESPONDEAT SUPERIOR.

The State cannot be held liable for the torts of its agents under the doctrine of respondeat superior. Elmore v. Fields, 153 Ala. 345 (1907), citing U.S. v. Lee, 106 U.S. 196 (1882). The Court additionally reasoned since the State can do no wrong, its agents, when committing a tort are not acting on behalf of the State within their authority. Id.

In their Complaint, Plaintiffs allege ADMH should be responsible for the actions of Commissioner Houston, Dillihay, Ervin and Benson. ADMH is a department managed and operated under the State of Alabama pursuant to § 22-50-2 Code of Alabama (1975). Since it operates as a division under the State of Alabama, it cannot be held liable for any alleged actions of its employees under a Respondeat Superior theory. As such, this count is due to be dismissed as to ADMH.

PLAINTIFFS FAIL TO PROVE THEIR CONSPIRACY CLAIM SINCE THEY ARE UNABLE TO PROVE THEIR PREVIOUS TORT ACTIONS.

"A conspiracy cannot exist in the absence of an underlying tort. "[L]iability for civil conspiracy rests upon the existence of an underlying wrong and if the underlying provides no cause of action, then neither does the conspiracy." Jones v. BP Oil Co., 632 So.2d 435, 439 (Ala. 1993). Willis v. Parker, 814 So.2d 857, 867 (Ala. 2001). See also Beck v. Prupis, 529 U.S. 790, 501 120 S.Ct. 1608, 1614 (2000) ("A plaintiff could bring suit for civil conspiracy only if he had been injured by an act that was itself tortuous"; "conspiracy fails as the basis for the imposition of civil liability absent the actual commission of some independently recognized tort....").

Without the commission of an actionable tort by the Defendants in this case, there can be no finding of a conspiracy involving Commissioner Houston, Dillihay, Ervin and Benson. All of the tort claims alleged by the Plaintiffs have been barred for the various reasons set forth *infra*. Further, the Plaintiffs have produced no evidence that these Defendants participated in any fashion to negligently or wantonly deny the Plaintiffs an opportunity to be hired as Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. Accordingly, the claim asserted for conspiracy is due to be dismissed against Commissioner Houston, Dillihay, Ervin and Benson.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Defendants respectfully request the Court to enter final Summary Judgment in their favor and against Plaintiffs as to each count designated in the Complaint.

/s/H. E. Nix, Jr. H.E. NIX, JR. (NIX007) Counsel for Defendants

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that an exact copy of the foregoing instrument has been served (a) through the Court's e-filing system; (b) by placing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed; and/or (c) by e-mail to

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on this the 27th day of June, 2008.

/s/H. E. Nix, Jr. OF COUNSEL

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JOAN FAULK OWENS and)
KAREN LYNN HUBBARD,)
Plaintiffs,)
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Defendants.)

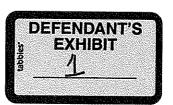
AFFIDAVIT OF MIKE MATHIS

STATE OF ALABAMA)
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Before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Mike Mathis, who, after having been sworn, identified himself to me and gave the following testimony:

"My name is Mike Mathis. I am a Caucasian male and I am the Personnel Director at W. D. Partlow Developmental Center, which is a mental retardation residential development center operated by the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. I have been an employee of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation since January 1976. I am a Personnel Manager III. I have personal knowledge of the testimony contained in this affidavit.

Partlow has approximately 575 employees at any given time. The Personnel Department that I manage at Partlow is responsible for performing all personnel functions with regard to Partlow employees. My Personnel Department performs a full range of



personnel functions, including, but not limited to, evaluations, the handling of raises, the handling of leave without pay, the processing of disciplinary requests, maintaining personnel files, filling employment positions, grading applications for employment, setting up interviews for employee candidates, sending out appointment letters and handling payroll. There are other functions that my department performs.

I received a telephone call from Henry Ervin at some point in time prior to the first announcement of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager's position. Two separate announcements or advertisements were sent with regard to this position called "Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager". This was a position for a person meeting the qualifications and recommended by an interview panel who would work at the Central Personnel Office in Montgomery, Alabama. Because I was asked to receive and grade the applications for this job, I did receive and grade seven different applications for the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. The following are the applicants whose applications I graded:

- Marilyn Benson (an African-American female from Montgomery, Alabama); 1.
- Commie Carter (an African-American female from Montgomery, Alabama); 2.
- Danielle Coteat (an African-American female from Birmingham, Alabama); 3.
- Tracey Bailey (a Caucasian female from Moundville, Alabama); 4.
- Jessica Eiland (a Caucaian female from Brantley, Alabama). 5.

These five applications were received by me at Partlow in Tuscaloosa, Alabama before September 30, 2005, which was the closing date for receipt of applications with regard to the first announcement of this position. After I graded the first five applications,

I sent an email to Commissioner Houston advising him as to the results of the application grading. Subsequently, I received two additional applications which I graded in the same manner I graded the first five applications. Neither of these two applicants qualified. These applicants were as follows:

- Chadwick Bivins (an African-American male from Montgomery, Alabama); 6. and
- Arylin Jenkins (an African-American female from Tuscaloosa, Alabama). 7.

I considered and graded all seven applications. All applications were returned with the Application Evaluation forms that were completed by me upon consideration of the applications. I had and referred to a copy of the job announcement for this position when I graded these seven applications. I graded the applications in accordance with the ADMH/MR rules regarding grading of applications that were in effect at the time I graded them. Prior to grading these applications, I was well experienced in grading applications. I had graded many applications prior to this time. I completed a form for each application, which is called Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation Application Evaluation Form. In addition, with regard to some of the applications, I included with this form another document for the listing of work experience. I did not use this document with all of the application evaluations or grading because some of the applicants were clearly unqualified. There were three qualified applicants out of the seven applications that I received. Those qualified applicants were Marilyn Benson, Commie Carter and Danielle Coteat.

At no time did anyone ever express to me or indicate in any way that they had a preference or that they preferred to hire any particular person for this job. The application grading process was handled by me objectively and in the same honest manner I always handle the grading of applications.

After I had graded the applications, I sent them or copies of them, with the grading documents, to the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation in Montgomery, but I have no recollection as to how or to whom I sent them.

Attached to this affidavit is a true and correct copy of documents that I had in my possession during the process of grading these applications which, of course, include the applications, the grading documents, and the announcement. There is also an email attached to this affidavit. I have examined these documents and know that they are true and correct copies of documents I had and used in the grading process. I no longer have a file. Any file material other than the material presented with this affidavit was destroyed. It is my practice after sending an application grading package to the appropriate person to destroy any documents that I might have because of space constraints. However, all of the documents presented and attached to this affidavit are true, correct and complete copies of documents that I had and used in the grading of these seven applications, except that document number "ADMH 04-00001" is an email to Commissioner John Houston conveying to him the results of the grading of the first five applications. The document numbered "ADMH 04-00016" is a plain piece of paper upon which I wrote, "Two applications received after 9/30/05." The following other documents are also true, correct and complete copies of documents I had during the grading process as follows:

ADMH 04-00004 and ADMH 04-0005 which is a copy of the announcement; 1.

- ADMH 04-00017 through ADMH 04-00070 which include the documents
 previously described which relate to Chadwick Bivins, Arilyn Jenkins, Jessica
 Eiland and Tracey M. Bailey; and
- ADMH 04-00190 through ADMH 04-00236 which include the documents previously discussed which relate to Marilyn Benson, Commie Carter and Danielle Coteat.

Further, the Affiant sayeth not.

Michael Mathes
MIKE MATHIS

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF TUSCALOOSA)

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Mike Mathis, whose name is signed to the foregoing, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day, that being informed of the contents of said document, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this 19th day of

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My Commission Expires: 3

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From: Mathis, Mike

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To: Houston, John

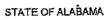
Subject: Dept. Assistant Personnel Manager, Application Assessments

Henry Ervin asked that I email you this information once I completed the assessment of the five applications I received for the aforementioned position. The applications received and assessment of the applications are listed below.

Sincerely, Mike Mathis Personnel Director Partlow Development Center

Results:

Marilyn Benson – Meets minimum qualification requirements
Commie Carter – Meets minimum qualification requirements
Danielle Coteat – Meets minimum qualification requirements
Tracey Bailey – Does not meet minimum qualification requirements
Jessica Eiland – Does not meet minimum qualification requirements



DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

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JOHN HOUSTON COMMISSIONER

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO FILL A NON-MERIT POSITION EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Departmental Assistant JOB TITLE:

05-27 NUMBER:

Personnel Manager

H5500 JOB CODE:

DATE:

9/15/05

SALARY RANGE: 80 (\$46,820-\$71,380)

POS#:

8813339

JOB LOCATION: Department of Mental Health

And Mental Retardation 100 North Union Street Montgomery, Ala. 36130

QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's degree in Human Resource Management/Personnel Management, Business Administration, Public Administration, or related field. Extensive experience (72 months or more) working in a professional personnel management position, plus experience (24 months or more) in a supervisory capacity. Preference will be given to individuals with:

- > Master's degree in any of the above specified fields of study.
- > Work experience in the governmental/public sector
- Work experience in a healthcare setting

Assists with day to day operation in planning, organizing, KIND OF WORK: developing, coordinating, and implementing a comprehensive personnel management program for the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Coordinates efforts to include various personnel functions, such as recruitment, selection, job placement, position classification, employee training, performance appraisals, and affirmative action. Research and identify grant funding sources to assist coordinating efforts regarding Wage and Classification Studies. Maintains on-going classification and pay information from governmental agencies and private sector. Advises Director of Human Resources and assists in making recommendations to department heads, administrators, supervisors, and employees on rules, regulations, and proper personnel procedures concerning such matters as performance evaluations, promotions, demotions, transfers, and dismissals. Conducts and/or attends staff meetings, state personnel meetings, or personnel officer meetings. Gathers information and prepares budget for the Central Office Personnel Division and monitors expenditures. Coordinates various supervisory training for departmental Personnel Officers and makes oral presentations as needed.

Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager #05-27 Page 2

Serves in the absence of the Director of Human Resources by providing assistance regarding personnel and administrative functions and serves on various committees and task forces as assigned. Supervises clerical and para-professional staff assigned to Human Resources and conducts performance evaluations.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES: Thorough knowledge of Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation rules and regulations. Thorough knowledge of classification, recruitment, selection, placement, employee training, and staff development. Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of public personnel administration, regarding applicable rules, regulations, policies, and ability to interpret state and federal rules and regulations. Ability to plan, organize, direct, and evaluate the work of others. Thorough knowledge of interviewing techniques. Ability to advise and make recommendations regarding employment selection procedures. Ability to make presentations and convey ideas and opinions effectively, both orally and in writing. Ability to gather, correlate, and analyze facts, and recommend solutions. Ability to provide technical assistance in the area of expertise. Ability to research and identify grants and funding resources. Ability to conduct and coordinate various meetings and chair committees. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with departmental personnel at all levels and with employees in other departments as well as the general public.

METHOD OF SELECTION: Applicants will be rated on the basis of an evaluation of their training, experience and education, and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications mentioned above. All relevant information is subject to verification.

HOW TO APPLY: Use an official application for Professional Employment (Exempt Application), which may be obtained from this office, other Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation facility Personnel Offices, or at www.mh.state.al.us. Only work experience detailed on the application form will be considered. Additional sheets, if needed, should be in the same format as the application. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of an official application.

ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO:

W.D. Partlow Developmental Center

Attention: Mr. Mike Mathis (Personnel Director)

1700 University Blvd.

Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35406-1730

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS: September 30, 2005.

COPIES of licenses/certifications if applicable should be forwarded/furnished during interview, an official copy of your academic transcripts must be forwarded by the college or university to the personnel office at the above address.

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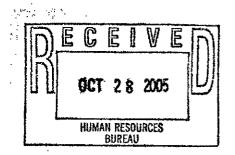
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William D. Partlow Developmental Center P.O. Box 1730, 1700 University Blvd. East Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35403-1730 (205) 553-4550

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Complete all portions of this appli cation that are applicable to you and the position for which you are apply ing. Failure to do so may result in you not being considered for the position for which you applying Type or prin clearly in ink.

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Arylin Jenkins Department Assistant Personnel Manager

Explanation of "Have you ever been involuntarily terminated or forced to resign from a position?"

Yes. I worked as a Disability Specialist for the Disability Determination Services from August 2004 until November 2004. My employment was contingent upon me passing a series of test with 80% or better. I passed all of the test except the Vocational Test. I made 77.5%. At the time, the policy was "any employee not making 80% or better be terminated". The Disability Determination Services has since changed this policy.

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## Arylin Jenkins 5751 25th Avenue East Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405 (205) 556-5979

Organized, computer literate professional with over 16 years of human resource management and assessment experience seeking a position where present skills can be utilized to accomplish organizational objectives.

#### **Professional Experience**

Temporary Employee, performed clerical and administrative duties for various agencies throughout Tuscaloosa with brief periods of unemployment between assignments (08/2003 to present).

Atlanta Technical College, Institutional Effectiveness Specialist, assisted with implementing and developing institutional wide long and short range strategic planning ideas/strategies for the college; utilized knowledge of regulatory compliance, auditing standards and techniques to monitor and maintain federal compliance; analyzed and assessed the effectiveness of existing programs by providing data analysis in response to specific surveys/questions; prepared and interpreted compliance report; ensuring all activities were in compliance with established policies and procedures, monitored and reconciled Carl Perkins budgetary expenditures totaling over \$642,000; coordinated and implemented institutional development activities such as the Integrated Post Secondary Educational Data System reports, Performance Accountability Review audits, strategic planning sessions, designed and executed a plan for maintaining accredited status for academic programs by accreditation agencies to include the Council of Occupational Education (COE) and Commission on Colleges (SACS) audits (06/2002 - 06/2003).

Childrens' Healthcare of Atlanta, Credentialing Coordinator, tracked and assured the proper recredentialing of over 1,400 participating healthcare providers working with the hospital by verifying education, licensure, training, work history; hospital privileges, etc.; audited files and prepared reports in preparation for Joint Commission Accreditation for Healthcare Organization audit; reduced physician credentialing backlog 20% by reorganizing and streamlining the credentialing process (09/2001 to 03/2002).

Credentialing Supervisor, Physicians Health Plan, Inc., supervised and provided direction/training to four staff members that verified education, licensure, training, work history; hospital privileges, etc. for over 6,000 associated medical practitioners, served as the liaison between seven delegated entities, revised and wrote over thirteen credentialing policies; served as subject matter expert during preparation and actual NCQA survey; maintained triple databases and shared information between them; combined multiple databases into one, reducing tracking errors by at least 60%; decreased the amount of time it took providers to be recredentialed from six months to providers being recredentialed within 30 days of the actual due date (May 2000 to August 2001).

Willing to Travel

Credentialing Liaison, United Healthcare/Physicians Health Plan, Inc., supervised four credentialing coordinators who were responsible for credentialing network providers and other ancillary facilities/providers; managed the activities of three credentialing committees, including timely and accurate receipt/communication of necessary information to make decisions regarding new and ongoing contract participation; receipt and coordination of provider file changes integrating interactive information sharing process within the Credentialing department (January 1999 to April 2000).

Senior Credentialing Coordinator, United Healthcare/Physicians Health Plan, Inc., provided direction and training to four staff members; managed activities of three credentialing committees, including timely and accurate receipt/communication of necessary information to make decisions regarding new and ongoing contract participation and served as department manager in her absence (July 1998 to January 1999).

Credentialing Coordinator, United Healthcare/Physicians Health Plan, Inc. tracked and assured the proper credentialing of newly appointed providers entering the managed care network (June 1997 to June 1998).

Quality Improvement Departmental Secretary, Moncrief Army Community Hospital, provided clerical and administrative support to four department chiefs; verified credentials such as education, licensure, training, work history; hospital privileges, etc for network providers; utilized knowledge of assessment tools and localized organizational development solutions; coordinated over 70 classes/information sessions for JCAHO survey; utilized skills in collecting and analyzing data, report writing, and project presentations; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing, with special emphasis on customer service and diplomatic problem solving (01/1994 to 06/1997).

#### COMPUTER EXPERIENCE

Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Access, Microsoft Power Point, Microsoft Publisher, SPSS, Internet Explorer, Lotus-Notes, Scantron, Flips-OMR, PageMaker, Printmaster Plus, DOS

#### **EDUCATION**

Masters of Arts, Human Resource Development Bachelor of Science, Human Resource Management

Webster University University of Alabama October 31, 2005

Mr. Mike Mathis Personnel Director Partlow Development Center 1700 University Blvd East Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

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PERSONNEL OFFICE

Dear Mr. Mathis:

I am submitting my resume expressing an interest in the Department Assistant Personnel Manager's position. Let me highlight specific skills, which I would bring to this position.

- > Possess over nine years of experience in designing and implementing company-wide performance improvement and organizational development solutions
- > Assisted with coordinating the strategic planning process for Atlanta Technical College by demonstrating an understanding of the purpose and process of strategic planning, including new methodologies which included training staff members as necessary
- > Developed, coordinated and monitored a system of Institutional Effectiveness and Evaluation that included input from students, parents, staff and business representatives
- > Participated in the design and implementation of the evaluation, planning, and budgeting system that Atlanta Technical College used to ensure quality programs and services, planned and budgeted for improvement and applied for federal and state funding
- > Worked closely with instructors, student services personnel (Registrar, Job Placement Coordinator, Special Needs and Retention Coordinator, and Enrollment Management Director) and Economic Development Personnel (Economic Analyst, New Connection to Work Coordinator and Continuing Education Director) to coordinate information submitted to Integrated Post Secondary Data System (IPEDS), college board and various reports
- > Maintained the components of the Performance Accountability System (PAS) including the Local Application and Capital Outlay reports in accordance with state and federal guidelines
- > Attended PAS conferences as requested and served as point of contact with Department of Technical and Adult Education staff
- > Developed and maintained professional expertise by attending appropriate professional workshops and training as schedule permits and with approval of supervisor
- > Served as lead facilitator for six quality teams within Atlanta Technical College

- > Analyzed and assessed the effectiveness of existing programs by collecting, analyzing and organizing data for input into planning and evaluation activities so that changes may be anticipated and adapted
- > Evaluated policies, procedures and processes on a continual basis and recommended/implemented changes
- > Used available computer resources, compiled data in ways useful to department personnel in decision-making such as new program approvals, personnel and facility requests, budget development and allocation of funds
- > Produced written reports, presentations, and procedures to assist Atlanta Technical College in the performance of local responsibilities to board members, foundation members, school and community officials
- > Continually coordinated institutional resources needed to systematically evaluate the technical college's effectiveness, provided technical assistance and monitored federal programs for compliance with regulations
- > Provided interpretation and guidance to Atlanta Technical College personnel to ensure compliance with state and federal regulation
- > Designed and executed a plan for maintaining accreditated status for the academic programs by accreditation agencies and prepared accreditation files for reaccreditation audits
- > Coordinated with employees to obtain all required documentation to demonstrate continued compliance with accreditation standards, processes and provided training, as required
- > Compiled and submitted annual reports during the period of the accreditation award, as required, and provided ongoing guidance to administration on accreditation matters

You will find that I am a hands on contributor possessing the skills, knowledge and experience to immediately add value to the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Thanking you in advance for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Cordially,

Arvlin Jenkins

5751 25th Avenue East

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Name Social Security

#### LOCATIONS

Your application will be retained in our non-merit recruitment files for one year, and you will be notified of non-merit vacancies at those facilities in which you express an interest. Please indicate below at which of our facilities you would consider employment. You will only be sent announcements of openings at facilities which you check. After one year and after each succeeding year, you will need to contact this office and request that your application remain in our active files and/or submit an updated application. Failure to do so will result in your name being removed from our mailing list and your application will be destroyed.

#### **Mental Illness Facilities**

- ( ) Bryce Hospital Tuscaloosa, AL ( ) Searcy Hospital — Mt. Vernon, AL
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#### **ICF Nursing Homes**

- ( ) Alice Kidd Tuscaloosa, AL
- ) S.D. Allen Tuscaloosa, AL
- ) Claudette Box Mt. Vernon, AL

X) Central Administrative Offices— Montgomery, AL

(See map on last page for locations of facilities)

If you are applying for a specific current vacancy, please give position title and annoucement # Telephone Office: Number Legai Residence Place of Birth Minimum annual salary you would consider:

#### REFERRAL

Where did you learn about the job for which you applied, or about the Department's application procedure?

Voluntary Walk-in State Employment Service College Career Day DMH/MR Employee Newspaper Ad Professional Journal Ad Radio/TV Ad Private Employment Agency State Personnel Department Professional Convention Friend/Relative Responded to Announcement of Vacancy

Other — Please explain:

Are you willing to accept shift work during evening and night hours? Yes ( ) No (X)

Full Time ___ Are you available to work _ Temporary?

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PLEASE DO NOT OMIT SIGNATURE AND AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION BLOCK ON BACK OF APPLICATION

Beginning with your PRESENT or most recent employment, list in REVERSE ORDER periods of employment. Each time you changed jobs or your title changed should be listed as a separate period. Describe in detail your specific duties as they relate to the duties of the position for which you are applying. (Attach additional sheets if necessary). Please account for or explain any gaps in employment.

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## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

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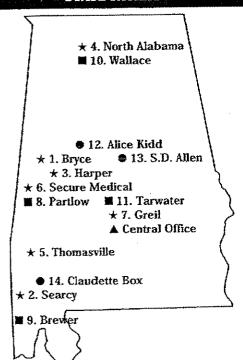
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To help this Department evaluate our efforts as an Equal Opportunity Employer, we are requesting that you complete the following items of personal information. Your answers to these questions will be used only to study recruiting and employment patterns, and to furnish necessary information for government reports. We appreciate your cooperation.

This sheet will be separated from the employment application upon receipt, and will be maintained in a separate file. It will, in no way, affect consideration for possible employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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## Jessica C. Eiland 3094 Georgiana Highway Brantley, AL 36009 (334) 527-3758 (H) (334) 303-8794 (C)

email: jessicaeiland@hotmail.com

Objective:

To obtain a challenging position with the opportunity to utilize my education and experience, along with creative and interpersonal skills, to facilitate the growth of my employer.

Education:

Kennasaw State University, Kennasaw, Georgia 30144 Career Development Facilitator Certification, May, 2004

Troy State University, Troy, Alabama 36082 Master of Science in Business Administration, August, 1999, GPA: 3.9

Troy State University, Troy, Alabama 36082 Bachelor of Science (Cum Laude) in Accounting, August, 1997, GPA: 3.5

Brantley High School, Brantley, Alabama 36009 Advanced High School Diploma (Salutatorian), 1993

#### Experience:

02/21/05 - Present Ken Cox Ford, Inc.

1270 Highway 231 South, Troy, Alabama 36081

#### Office Manager/Controller

- Responsible for all financial activities and daily operations.
- Conduct analyses and make recommendations to improve the operational efficiency and financial success of the dealership.
- Work closely with the General Manager and fill in upon his absence.
- Supervise sales and office personnel including the accounts payable, accounts receivable, rental and title departments.
- Oversee the preparation of financial reports, direct investment activities, and implement cash management strategies.
- Perform all HR functions including recruitment and administration of all benefits and

02/01/04 - 02/18/05 South Alabama Skills Training Consortium (Luverne CareerLink) 77 S. Forest Avenue, Luverne, Alabama 36049

#### CareerLink Facilitator

- Conducted employability assessment process to include: orientation; evaluation of interests, aptitudes, and academic achievement; and a structured interview.
- Prepared individual employment plans based upon assessment results.
- Conducted interviews to assess client needs, disseminated information regarding employment programs, explained available program services, and facilitated client access to all employment programs.
- Assisted in the selection and referral of participants to program activities and employers.
- Provided ongoing case management functions for assigned individuals.
- Accepted, processed, screened, and selected applications for employment program services.

#### Jessica C. Eiland

01/01/04 - 01/31/04

Family Guidance Center of Alabama, Inc.

2431 West Main Street, Suite 1102, Dothan, Alabama 36301

Eligibility Specialist

Acted as consultant in transition process.

05/01/93 - 12/31/03 South Central Alabama Childcare Management Agency, Inc.

P.O. Box 610, Luverne, Alabama 36049 (State contract ended 12/31/03)

Eligibility and Overpayment Supervisor/Counselor, LAN Server Administrator, Assistant Fiscal Officer – August, 1999 – December, 2003

- Designed, interpreted and implemented policies and regulations on state and local levels.
- Planned, supervised and determined eligibility for subsidized childcare.
- Supervised and determined overpayment claims for subsidized childcare clients, which included assessing and collecting monetary claims.
- Wrote winning proposals for State/Federal (CCDBG/CCDF) funds.
- Administered LAN (Local Area Network) for Management Agency.
- Collected and computed payroll timesheets, and processed and wrote payroll and provider checks.
- Assisted Fiscal Officer with accounting and bookkeeping duties.
- Designed and updated all agency forms.
- Acted as Director in the absence of the Executive Director.

Eligibility Counselor - September, 1997 - August, 1999

- Determined eligibility for subsidized childcare, which included working closely with and counseling low-income parents. This also included intensive daily computer work.
- Responsible for eligibility casework within a five county region.
- Responsible for collecting and computing payroll timesheets and processing and writing
  payroll and provider checks, as well as, assisting the fiscal officer with accounting and
  bookkeeping duties.

Fiscal Clerk - May, 1993 - August, 1997 (while attending college)

- Designed and prepared application forms and other necessary forms used in determining eligibility for child care financial assistance.
- Responsible for collecting and computing payroll timesheets, and processing and writing payroll and provider checks.
- Daily duties included typing, filing, answering the phone, and assisting the fiscal officer.

Skills:

Special Skills: Administration, Analysis, Supervision, Communication, Facilitation, Organization, Planning, Multi-tasking, Problem Identification and Resolution, and Training. Computer Skills: Autosoft, GMS Accounting Software, Dac Easy Accounting Software, Extensive Unix Data Base Software designed for Child Care Management Agencies, Microsoft Works, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Outlook, Lotus, Print Shop Deluxe and Ensemble, Microsoft Publisher, PowerPoint, Internet Search Skills, Job Search Skills, WPM>50.

References:

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Graduate Transcript

5183 Springhill Road

Business Admin

Master in Bus Admin

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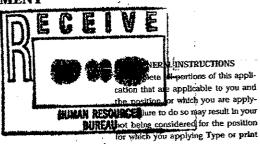
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## APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT



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Mental Retardation Facilities  ( ) William D. Partlow Developmental Center — Tuscaloosa, AL ( ) Albert P. Brewer Developmental Center — Mobile, AL ( ) Lurleen B. Wallace Developmental Center — Decatur, AL ( ) J. S. Tarwater Developmental Center — Wetumpka, AL	Are you willing to accept shift work during evening and night hours? Yes ( ) No ( )  Are you available to work Full Time Part Time Part Time Temporary?
ICF Nursing Homes  ( ) Alice Kidd — Tuscaloosa, AL  ( ) S.D. Allen — Tuscaloosa, AL  ( ) Claudette Box — Mt. Vernon, AL  ( ) Central Administrative Offices— Montgomery, AL	The Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation is an Equal Opportunity Employer. It does not discriminate with respect to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, or disability.

PLEASE DO NOT OMIT SIGNATURE AND AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION BLOCK ON BACK OF APPLICATION

## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

APPLICANT DATA RECORD

DATE: 9/24/05

To help this Department evaluate our efforts as an Equal Opportunity Employer, we are requesting that you complete the following items of personal information. Your answers to these questions will be used only to study recruiting and employment patterns, and to furnish necessary information for government reports. We appreciate your cooperation.

This sheet will be separated from the employment application upon receipt, and will be maintained in a separate file. It will, in no way, affect consideration for possible employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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## TRACEY M. BAILEY

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### Summary of Qualifications

- Exceptionally skilled in using computer systems and software including: Microsoft Products (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Publisher), Corel WordPerfect. Building and maintaining websites, use of email and the Internet.
- Very organized and detail oriented, meticulous with each step of a project.
- Highly articulate, self-motivated and self-disciplined.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills; especially skilled at public speaking to any number of people including presentations, trainings and speeches.
- Notary Public

#### Education

#### Master of Science, Management

Troy University

Montgomery, Alabama

2004-2005

### **Bachelor of Science, Marketing**

University of Montana

Missoula, Montana

1998-1999

#### Associate of Science, Business Administration

Shelton State Community College

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

1994-1996

### Professional Experience

## Staff Development Specialist/Instructor

Bryce Hospital

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

November 2004 - Present

- Management Trainings: Develop and instruct a variety of management related modules/classes. All of the modules below had not been developed or taught previous to my employment with the hospital and department, when I developed and began instruction on them. I am currently the only qualified instructor to teach these modules for the hospital.
  - Microsoft PowerPoint (basic and advanced)
  - Microsoft Excel

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- Microsoft Outlook

- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (Heart Saver and Health Care Provider)
- Effective Team Building
- Effective Communication Skills
- Conflict and Change Management
- Telephone Etiquette

- Time and Stress Management
- Motivational Skills and Techniques
  - Goal Setting and Achievement
  - Effective Working Habits
- Other business management related modules are currently in development.
- Mandatory Trainings: Develop and instruct modules for the following mandatory modules required every year for each employee per state department standards. These modules were previously in "poster board" form, and are now in housed in binders for ease of use and portability. These modules received extremely high marks from a recent review by hospital staff:
  - HIPAA Policies

Incident Management

Fire and Safety

Infection Control

- Patient Rights

- Sexual Harassment
- Attend designated committee meetings to determine necessary training for all staff.
- Coordination of Trainings: Coordinate with all hospital departments to assess training needs, develop, implement and instruct necessary classes to achieve training objectives. The above management modules were developed based on suggestions from the hospital's staff and departments. Determine trainings to be developed each year according to the Annual Hospital and Staff Development Plans.
- Department Publications: Redesigned monthly newsletter for better functionality including information necessary for staff to make plans to attend trainings offered by our department each month. Design flyers for specific trainings each month to ensure that particular applicable staff are notified well in advance of a training in order to ensure attendance at the trainings.

### Health Information Manager West Alabama Mental Health Center

Demopolis, Alabama

August 2003 — October 2004

- Medical Records Supervision: Supervised and managed the medical records departments for seven different facilities in five different counties, including ten office managers and a clinical records coordinator.
- HIPAA Compliance: Served as organizations HIPAA compliance officer. Ensured all staff were properly trained in HIPAA policies and procedures annually. Set up a monitoring system to determine which staff members required access to medical records offices; ensured that access to medical records was tracked on a daily basis to prevent unnecessary access and to maintain confidentiality and security of medical records.
- Medical Records Processes and Procedures: Reorganized and redesigned the medical records offices and procedures to ensure compliance to state and federal confidentiality rules and laws. Before my tenure in this position all center records departments operated below par. All departments were reorganized both physically and functionally to improve performance.
  - Improved the client no-show percentage for the center by 50%
  - > Improved the error rates for medical records, resulting in a 2 year, rather than 1 year, certification from the Alabama State Department of Mental Health.
  - Received an exceptional review from the Federal Medicaid Program after review of all

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- Administrative Record Reviews: Sole designee to performed administrative reviews on all records in each facility to ensure compliance with State and Federal standards along with internal compliance to ensure continuity of care.
  - > Revised the administrative review form to track errors and deficiencies.
  - Reviews required extensive documentation of errors by all staff including office managers, clinicians, and psychiatrists. This documentation was used to prepare error reports for the executive director's review for determination of the center's overall productivity and error rates each month, these reports were ultimately sent to the board of directors as a gauge of the center's monthly performance.
- Computer Software Training: Created and put into place and computer software program for Front Desk and Medical Records departments. Developed manuals for each of these programs that were created by CMHC. Trained all office managers and clinical staff on usage of the CMHC computer programs. These programs are used to schedule appointments, track no-shows, enter client data, and manage fiscal information.
- Physician Management: Communicated with all center psychiatrists to manage their client appointments. Trained all office managers on the correct management of doctor's schedules to maintain continuity with appointments and continuity of care. One-on-one work with all physicians before and during each clinic day in all counties to monitor compliance with appointments, determine physician needs, and manage medication pick-up.
- Committee Appointments: Appointed to the following committees for two consecutive years:
  - Management of Information Committee
  - > Performance Improvement Committee
  - Chair the Staff Advisory Committee: responsible for coordination and leadership of the annual company meeting, including coordination of funds, supplies, allocation of employees; determination of annual staff awards, as well as speaking to the entire organization on behalf of the executive director; also responsible for coordination of annual staff satisfaction survey, which for the first time in 2004 was conducted online; coordinated annual blood drives with United Blood Services and the American Red Cross.

### Human Resource Coordinator/Administrative Assistant West Alabama Mental Health Center

Demopolis, Alabama

May 2001 - August 2003

- Human Resource Duties: Performed background checks, drug screens, orientation of new staff, telephone interviews, set up and conducted face to face interviews, recruitment, employee relations, personnel filing, workers compensation claims, unemployment compensation claims, employee benefits and compensation, family and medical leave act regulations, turnover tracking and control.
- New Employee Orientation and Training: Performed all new employee training and orientation as well as restructuring of training programs and initiatives to bring all mandatory trainings up-to-date. New employee training included fire and safety, infection control, policies and procedures,
- Administrative and Human Resource Processes and Forms: Drew up annual contracts between state departments, hospitals and consultants; executed administrative documents and agreements for the

Executive Director and Board of Directors; extensive administrative and human resource filing and archiving.

- Organizational Communication: Coordinated communication on a regular basis with the Board of Directors on behalf of the Executive Director and the organization. Performed any and all tasks assigned by the Executive Director or per the Board of Directors. Performed public speaking at choice appointments on behalf of executive director. Coordinated press releases with regional newspapers and radio stations on behalf of the organization and Board of Directors regarding monthly board meetings, job openings and special events. Typed up all board of director meeting minutes, including committee meeting minutes.
- Computer Program Use: Intensive use of computer, software and hardware on a daily basis. Performed onsite and telephone computer troubleshooting for the center's offices.
- Organizational Publications: Designed and published the quarterly newsletter for the company including coordinating with other departments for information. Redesigned employee handbook, including updating information according to new policies, procedures and guidelines, as well as coordinated with all departments to include accurate information regarding their programs.

# DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH / MENTAL RETARDATION APPLICATION EVALUATION FORM

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- Searcy Hospital Mt. Vernon, AL 2.
- Harper Geriatric Psychiatry Center Tuscaloosa, AL North Alabama Regional Hospital Decatur, AL 3.
- Thomasville MH Rehab Center Thomasville, AL 5.
- Hardin Secure Medical Facility Tuscaloosa, AL 6.
- Greil Psychiatric Hospital Montgomery, AL 7.

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- William D. Partlow Developmental Center Tuscaloosa, AL 8.
- Albert P. Brewer Developmental Center Mobile, AL 9.
- Luricen B. Wallace Developmental Center Decatur, AL 10.
- J. S. Tarwater Developmental Center Werumpka, AL 11.

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**EMPLOYMENT** 

12/87-Present Personnel Specialist, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama

Assists with coordinating Personnel management activities for DMH/MR Central Office, seven facilities, and five Community Programs throughout the state. Responsibilities include coordinating recruitment, selection, and placement of direct care, administrative, technical, and service personnel. Responsibilities include examining positions, establishing, revising, deleting, combining classes, and making recommendations in order to comply with federal, state, and local guidelines of employment; also coordinate wage and salary information for non-ment classes, conduct surveys, analyzing positions and pay relationships, collecting, and ensuring the Department remains competitive in Its development of solid wage, salary, and benefit schedules; attend career fairs and conventions to recruit the most qualified individuals to fill vacancies, conduct job analysis, gather subject matter experts, announce job vacancies, develop KSA's and conduct interviews. Other responsibilities include supervising and evaluating the work of clerical and technical support staff. Also provide technical assistance to department heads, and supervisors regarding personnel related matters on departmental employees. Responsible for carrying out functions of Human Resource Management In the absence of the Director.

Planning Specialist, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental 08/84-Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama 11/87

> Rendered technical services to mental health centers by conducting personnel and management studies to include developing complete personnel action plans. Conducted interviews with employees, developed and revised job descriptions. Also examined current classification system to determine if employees were appropriately classified. Developed policies and procedures, to include recruitment and affirmative action plans. Also responsible for conducting supervisory training for both performance appraisals and the employee assistance program; Assisted with identifying federal funding availability through grant resources and provided technical assistance by compiling information needed in order to meet deadlines.

Research Assistant, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental 08/83 Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama 08/84

Provided consultative services to various mental health centers throughout the state of Alabama. Responsible for writing, revising, and coordinating the development of various personnel policies and procedures, conducting performance appraisal training sessions and supervisory training for the Employee Assistance Program.

Office Manager, Neuropsychiatry Associates, Montgomeny, Alabama 01/83-08/84

Supervised the overall operation of a psychiatric clinic. Was responsible for maintaining financial reports, accounts receivable, purchasing of supplies and equipment, client billing, processing insurance claims, purchase orders, as well as the supervision to clerical and technical support staff.

# HUMAN RESOURCE TRAINING ACTIVITIES & EXPERIENCE

- Developed performance appraisal systems and conducted management studies for seven different Mental Health Centers in five locations throughout the state of Alabama. Activities included:
  - 1) Disseminating questionnaires
  - 2) Conducting interviews
  - 3) Reviewing job descriptions
  - 4) Compiling draft descriptions
  - 5) Providing overview of Performance Appraisal System
  - 6) Training of Supervisors
  - 7) Project Implementation
- July 1983, Central Alabama Comprehensive Health Center, Tuskegee, AL Developed Performance Appraisal Instrument to be utilized and incorporated into their supervisory training program.
- October 1983, Jefferson Biount St. Clair County Mental Health Center, Birmingham, AL Established a Performance Appraisal Project Flow for JBS. Trained supervisors in the overview of the Performance Appraisal Instrument and legal implications by conducting interviews with employees, writing job descriptions and task statements.
- Jan-March 1984, Chitton-Shelby Mental Health Center, Calera, At. Established Performance Appraisal Training Program for Center Supervisors by reviewing existing appraisal instrument, establishing weights for Primary Job Functions, conducting appraisal interviews, and providing instructions for scoring appraisals.
- April 1984, Mobile Community Mental Health Center, Mobile, AL Administered Employee Attitude Surveys in order to recognize employee attitudes or problems that may have a bearing on productivity, absenteeism, turnover, and Other related employee issues. After correlating and compiling data,

recommendations were made for improving overall staff morale and motivation.

- May 1984, Mobile Community Mental Health Center, Mobile, AL Established Performance Appraisal Instrument to be used at the Center. Trained supervisors in performance appraisal techniques and utilization.
- August 1984, Mobile Association for Retarded Citizens, Mobile, AL Analyzed current organizational structure by disseminating questionnaires and conducting interviews to determine whether jobs were appropriately classified and made recommendations accordingly.
- August 1984, Cahaba Regional Mental Health Center, Selma, AL Developed a performance appraisal system for supervisors at the Center. Interviewed employees, compiled questionnaires and conducted supervisory training.
- September 1984, Cherokee, Etowah, Dekalb County Mcntal Health Center, Gadsden, AL Participated in Staff Development Consultation with supervisors of Cherokee, Etowah, Dekalb County Mental Health Facility to implement a Performance Appraisal System.
- September 1985, The Bridge Alert Center, Gadsden, AL Conducted workshop on FES (Factor Evaluation System) training and utilization of Training and Experience Crediting. Supervisors were trained in the area of Job analysis. The information was utilized in developing more accurate position descriptions.
- October 1985, Northwest Alabama Mental Health Center, Jasper, AL Developed a complete Personnel Action Plan by reviewing selection procedures, staff recruitment, evaluation of policies, and providing FES training for supervisors.

# EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

This training involved visiting various Community Mental Health Centers, State Facilities, and private Industries to provide technical assistance in areas as: 1] Marketing presentation, 2) Specific employee problems, 3) Program design, 4) Program problem resolution, 5) Contract negotiations, and 6) Management Training.

- August 1985, Cahaba Mental Health Center, Selma, AL Conducted training workshops to educate supervisors about the Employee Assistance Program, what it involved, who was eligible and the role they played.
- September 1987, <u>Auburn University</u>, Auburn, AL Conducted 15 supervisory training sessions that included 219 participants to Include the President and Vice-President of the University. Supervisors were acquainted with troubled employees, how to recognize them and the roles they were responsible for playing in the referral process.

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October 1987, Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center, Montgomery, AL.

Conducted a one-day workshop for supervisors by giving an overview of the program, identification of problem employees, and the referral process.

November 1987, Fourth Annual Conference for Personnel Administration, Auburn University at Montgomery, Montgomery, AL

Made Conference presentation on the Employee Assistance Program for Participants of the Personnel Administration Conference. An overview of EAP was given as well as how to identify workers with personal problems that could possibly affect their on the job performance.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Facilitator/planner for Governor's Task Force on Domestic Violence and Abuse
- Licensed and Ordained Baptist Minister
- Co-Pastor of GAP Fellowship Church, Inc in Alexander City, AL

### REFERENCES

**Available Upon Request** 

## DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH / MENTAL RETARDATION **APPLICATION EVALUATION FORM**

Commie Carte	Departmental Assist Pers	sonnel Mgr / H5500	05-27
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APPLICANT DATA RECORD

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To help this Department evaluate our efforts as an Equal Opportunity Employer, we are requesting that you complete the following items of personal information: Your answers to these questions will be used only to study recruiting and employment patterns, and to furnish necessary information for government reports. We appread at e your cooperation.

This sheet will be separated from the employment application upon receipt, and will be maintained in a separate lile, it will, in no way, affect consideration for possible employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Refardation

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Beginning with your PRESENT or most recent employment, list in REVERSE ORDER periods of employment. Each time you changed jobs or your title changed should be listed as a separate period. Describe in detail your specific duties as they relate to the duties of the position for which you are applying. (Attach additional sheets if necessary). Please account for or explain any gaps in employment.

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APPLICANT DATA RECORD

DATE: 9/22/05

To help this Department evaluate our elforts as an Equal Opportunity Employer, we are requesting that you complete the following items of personal information: Your answers to these questions will be used only to study recruiting and employment patterns, and to furnish necessary information for government reports. We appreciate your cooperation.

This sheet will be separated from the employment application upon receipt, and will be maintained in a separate file. It will, in no way, affect consideration for possible employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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Addendum to Assistant Personnel Manager Application

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Describe Your Duties in Detail

Responsible for planning, organizing, coordinating, and implementing a comprehensive human resource/staff development program; coordinating a Continuing Education program to provide accredited training for mental health system employees, including nurses, counselors, social workers, and psychologists, and other healthcare professionals. Developing and conducting employee orientation programs and job-specific training. Supervision and evaluation of Staff Development Office staff.

Preparing and conducting assessments of employee training needs through a variety of data gathering techniques. Formulating conclusions from such data and discussing findings with appropriate staff. Coordinating and/or designing training programs adequate to meet identified needs. Searching for resources to support the identified training needs. Preparing grant requests and monitoring progress through various action levels. Personally designing content of an employee training programs or negotiate contractual assistance in actual program development and presentation. Personally participating in the delivery of training exercises and monitoring delivery of training activity by contractual parties.

Consulting with program manages on program plans, operational procedures, and training issues in order to develop programs and/or enhance program results. Working with appropriate staff to design and implement related staff development programs, and to provide technical assistance as appropriate; developed the department's Cultural Competency Plan, as well as responsibility for coordinating the department's Cultural Competency committee; activities.

Responsible for meeting with supervisors to discuss planned activities and outcomes; as well as providing technical assistance. Soliciting supervisor's cooperation in providing an atmosphere to facilitate operational changes and implementation of skills and behaviors communicated by employee development exercises. Continually updating assessment of employee training needs, strategies to meet that need, actual training plans, and delivery methods. Preparing announcements and/or notices of training events and soliciting participants for specific offerings. Arranging space and equipment for specific events, preparing notices, and maintaining records of completed training. Approving invoices and letters of agreement for training or other training funds. Evaluating section activities and goal setting for the future.

Coordinate and/or conduct personnel-related training, such as Performance Appraisal, and Personnel for New Personnel Managers. Coordinate supervisory training offered through the State Personnel Department for departmental employees and community appropriate providers.

Assisted Human Resources in recruitment efforts by providing resources for job fairs and career day activities (provided 10 personal CD players to be used for recruitment.) Currently working on workforce succession plan for the department.

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Acted as assistant to the department's Personnel Manager; served in the absence of the Department Personnel Manager performing administrative functions, and other technical assistance, as needed. Assisted in day to day operation with planning, organizing, and developing the department's human resources management program, including various functions such as responsibility for revising and updating the DMH/MR Human Resources policies and procedures; reviewing and monitoring department HRM programs; interviewing and selection, processing personnel requests, monitoring facility functions, including staffing requirements. Training, managing, and coordinating the GHRS system and providing technical assistance as and where needed.

Coordinating and monitoring contract employee system through GHRS. Writing job specifications; monitoring facilities for rules compliance and coordinating data for employee disciplinary actions. Research, monitoring, and writing department's Affirmative Action Plan.

Updating and monitoring position classifications, and performance appraisals processing.

Participated in the department's recruitment efforts by attending onsite career days and job fairs; provided timely information to prospective employees and interested persons.

Reviewing requests for reallocations and reclassifications, etc.; conducting job audits and reviews.

Providing technical assistance to facility and Central Office divisions, bureaus, and offices interpreting rules, regulations, and proper personnel procedures concerning such matters as performance evaluations and personnel actions; conducting PDCs and associated actions.

Conducting and attending meetings, including monthly state personnel meetings, personnel officer meetings, and office staff meetings.

Monitoring expenditures and preparing budget for the Central Office Personnel.

Serving on various committees, teams, and task forces, as assigned.

## W. D. PARTLOW DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER

Worked directly with the facility director and facility executive staff in performing duties at interim Personnel Manger upon retirement of previous manager.

Served as acting Personnel Manager for W. D. Partlow Development Center in Tuscaloosa, AL. Traveled to facility 2 to 3 times weekly to perform administrative functions as acting director, including processing personnel actions, conducting

and participating in PDC's, disciplinary procedures, recruitment, interviewing and selection, job placements, training employees on policies, and performance appraisals.

Conducted investigations of hostile work environment complaints. Participated in staff meetings. Advised facility managers and assisted employees with personnel related needs.

Coordinated Personnel and Payroll functions; approved leave and performed budget management, and other special projects.

*Performed personnel duties functions related to closures, including calculating retention scores and conducting job placement interviews with displaced employees at the following DMH/MR facilities over the course of work in Human Resources Management: Eufaula Adolescent Center, Glenn Ireland Developmental Center, A. P. Brewer Developmental Center, J. S. Tarwater Developmental Center, Thomasville Rehabilitation Center.

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Coordinated and monitored special projects as assigned for meeting planning and program objectives under the supervision of the Associate Commissioner for Administration. This included the Departmental Cultural Diversity training, monitoring the Aboud labor relations recommendations, development of specifications for the improvement of the contract system, training, and implementation functions, and the development of specifications for a personnel requests tracking system. Assisted with the notification and settlement agreement documents for Wyatt by providing printing and publications services, and worked with Data Management with the formatting for web publication, and other associated tasks.

Served as secretary to the Management Steering Committee and Rapid Response Team so that organizational tasks are performed and accurate information is recorded and made available to the appropriate parties. This also involved the coordination of meetings.

Performed various assigned personnel tasks, provided technical assistance on various personnel and administrative issues, and training where necessary for continued services considering program objectives, guidelines, and implementation schedules are met, and insuring compliance with departmental policies and procedures, rules, and regulations, state and federal laws and regulations as assigned by the Associate Commissioner.

Monitored and maintained the Division of Administration and Support Services budgets.

Directed, supervised, monitored, and evaluated administrative support staff and services for duties and responsibilities as performed by functions of the mail services, printing and publications services, and warehouse inventory and supplies services to assure that services were ongoing with maximum departmental utilization of services achieved.

Interfaced with internal, external, and other appropriate sources in order to give, receive, and disseminate information to facilitate the accomplishment of the Division of Administration's mission and goals; provided appropriate response to information and requests in a manner appropriate to the type of information requested or received with reports.

Developed and wrote specifications and procedures for the Contract and Personnel Request systems and monitored programs so that documents are processed appropriately; developed specifications for TermTrak departmental separations and dismissals system, including compiling, recording, and responding to request for verifications

Accepted and performed special assignments within and in addition to regular job duties to meet departmental objectives, mission, and goals under the supervision of the Associate Commissioner for Administration.

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Served as the Department's Personnel Manager. In the interim, performed managerial, administrative and consultative work in planning, directing, and monitoring Human Resources Management operations for Central Office and providing support for facility personnel operations.

Duties included supervision of Personnel Office support staff, tracking and responding to various issues related to the administration of personnel programs affecting the assigned area. Representation on various groups and committees within the department.

Actively participating and providing quality control for payroll and personnel actions involving the application and interpretation of Personnel Administration, applicable labor relations, and other areas of administration including the assurance of the enforcement of State and Federal rules and regulations within the limits of applicable statutes, policies, labor relations, both State and Federal, departmental policy and procedures.

Interim Department Personnel Director; performed managerial, administrative, and consultative work in planning, directing, and monitoring HRM operations at Central office and provide technical support to 14 departmental facility personnel operations.

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Reviewed personnel forms and applies second level approval on Employee Status Maintenance Screen (ESMT) for all Central Office personnel transactions and personnel actions which involve the transfer of employees between facilities. Monitors personal actions for fourth level approval through State Personnel Department. Indirect supervision of Personnel Office clerical and support assistants.

Provided technical assistance system-wide to employees, prospective applicants, personnel officers, general public and employees of other State agencies on personnel matters and issues using State Personnel Rules and Regulations and departmental policies and procedures to answer questions, advise on appropriate actions, interpret rules and regulations, and receive information.

Maintained departmental position history control. Compared staffing plans submitted by facilities to position status records to ensure that only budgeted positions are authorized to fill. Updates Position Status Maintenance (PSMT) and Position Authorization Maintenance (PAMT) tables as personnel and staffing changes occur. Applied fourth level approval on all DMH/MR exempt classification positions and budget authorization; monitor and request State Personnel approval for all State merit system positions. Requested to fill vacant positions through the State Finance Director.

Maintained and researched applicant tracking system; researches repository of applicants using qualifications for Department of Mental Health exempt specifications and/or announcements to select qualified applicants to be notified for exempt job vacancies. Reviewed applications currently on file, completed data sheets and codes for computer application.

Coordinated and implemented the 1998 Performance Appraisal System changes department wide, and provided training to all Central Office supervisors and interested employees.

Prepared and monitored Personnel Section budget. Provided data to Finance Office on Section's performance indicators. Liaison to State Personnel, Divisions of Administration, Mental Illness, Mental Retardation, and facility personnel offices in personnel matters associated with employment and pay involving the GHRS system. Reviewed contracts, entered, applied fourth level approval for all DMH/MR contract employees; maintains department file of all contractors entered in the GHRS system. Performed personnel administrative duties as assigned by department personnel director.

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Coordinated, scheduled, and provided training and development programs for central office staff, state facilities, and community mental health centers using internal or external resources and also includes preparing correspondence, assigning dates, locations, and other necessary arrangements; assisting in advising training consultants in development of outlines of course objectives: contact with internal and external training and education personnel; researching and obtaining resources, i.e., facilities, equipment, personnel.

Planned, developed and instructed participants in courses; preparation of evaluation tests; administering and scoring tests. Served as liaison to various educational institutions and private organizations in coordination of training using instructors obtained through contract or agreement. Scheduled and coordinated personal computer training programs; developed and administered data collection instruments (questionnaires, needs assessments).

Indirect supervision of office clerical and support assistants, and supervision of one temporary clerical worker.

Developed and maintained contracts negotiated with universities and private agencies for the purpose of providing training, education, and development programs for department employees and community mental health program personnel not otherwise available through internal resources. Responsible for providing continuous status reports of contracts, as requested. Served as liaison with university and agency staff in maintenance of contracts and coordination of programs.

Prepared budget for HRD section. Maintained ledgers of section budget and all funds in training contracts; verified and coded contract vouchers; compiled status reports for budget purpose; reviewed budget analysis reports, purchase orders; reviews and maintains training contracts, letters of agreement, contract vouchers, budget requests.

Developed, scheduled, coordinated, and provided (teach) computer training programs for mainframe computer system, including GHRS, GHRS report writer; provides state-wide departmental/system training on the state-wide Government Human Resource System (GHRS) and report generator; analyzes participant evaluations and distributes results to appropriate destination.

Coordinated and provided technical assistance for conferences, workshops, training sessions, and individual troubleshooting for personal computer problems; provided technical assistance on GHRS in field, as needed, based on individual preference; individual problem solving and suggestions on GHRS.

All training coordinated or presented by HRD is made available to all DMH/MR system employees and conducted statewide. Prepared HRD reports and annual documents (i.e., HRD Annual Report, HRD EEO Training Report to Central Office Personnel). Assisted in the development of the facility Core Curriculums.

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Scheduled and coordinated training programs with concentration in personal computer training; composed, wrote, and distributed documents such as letters, memos, reports, training brochures, proposals, training manuals, training records, research materials, training announcements, needs assessments and surveys; attended and conducted meetings such as staff meetings, staff development officers meetings, and other meetings, as needed; provided training and consultation with concentration in personal computers; obtained resources, i.e., training facilities, equipment and personnel, by coordinating with others to facilitate the purpose/situation; maintained training records.

Coordinated and maintained human resource database for purpose of management decision-making; developed and prepared staff training policies and procedures; liaison to Auburn University in Montgomery, Center for Government and Public Affairs in coordination of personal computer training programs. (These duties provided for statewide services to DMH/MR facilities.)

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Coordinated and trained Departmental employees in use of personal computers and software, including DOS, word processing using DisplayWrite, Lotus 1-2-3, and dBase.

Coordinated and maintained Staff Development grant and human resource database for purpose of management decision-making. Supervised and trained office technology trainees provided through an internship program from a local technical college.

### SPECIALIZED TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

September, 1997 - Present 1997 NEW PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL TRAINING - TRAIN-THE-TRAINER

Coordinated Performance Appraisal efforts for DMH/MR; Completed the train-the-trainer program; Coordinated department-wide training; Partnered to conduct training for Central Office supervisors and support staff; Provided documentation to State Personnel and provided technical assistance.

Developed curriculum based on training and materials provided by State Personnel to conduct training for Central Office. Currently provide on-going training and technical assistance as needed or requested.

Provided technical assistance on a continuous basis by (1) reviewing responsibilities and results for accuracy; (2) communicating procedures department-wide; (3) discussing forms; (4) distribution of training manuals; (5) design and production of MH exempt working test period (probationary) form.

March, 1990 - Present GOVERNMENT HUMAN RESOURCE SYSTEM (GHRS)

Participated in three-month training program on the GHRS Personnel and Payroll System. Served on Implementation Team; Developed DMH/MR-specific Personnel and Payroll training curriculum based on training materials provided by FRMS Implementation Team. Assisted with implementation of GHRS at DMH/MR in two phases:

Coordinated and trained employees department-wide – trained over 500 employees on the GHRS system. Updated mainframe training environment with assistance of Data Management Division. Currently provide ongoing training and technical assistance as needed or requested.

July 1999

And August 1999 Cultural Diversity – "Affirming Diversity for the 21st Century"

And Train-the-Trainer

February 1998 Family Medical Leave Act Statewide Policy Training

Montgomery, AL

December 1997 State Employee Injury Compensation Trust Fund (SEITCF) Supervisory

Training Montgomery, AL

September 1997 Performance Appraisal Train-the-Trainer

Certified by State Personnel

June 1997 Orientation to State Government

State Personnel Training Division

Montgomery, AL

May 1997 Positive Discipline

State Personnel Training Division

Montgomery, AL

February 1997 Employment Law for State Supervisors

State Personnel Training Division

Montgomery, AL

January 1995 Employment Interviewing and Selection

State Personnel Training Division

Montgomery, AL

January 1995 Employment Interviewing and Selection

Auburn University at Montgomery

A professional development program - The Alabama Society

of Certified Public Managers

January 1995 Target Interviewing

State Personnel Department

October 1994 Effective Supervision

State Personnel Department

October 1994 Selection Procedure

State Personnel Department

January 1994 Instructional Systems Development

Train-the-Trainer Montgomery, AL

March 1993 Certified Public Manager Training - Level II

Auburn University at Montgomery

October 1992 Effective Supervision

State Personnel Training Division

Montgomery, AL

March 1992 Certified Public Manager Training - Level I

Auburn University at Montgomery

October 1991 Americans With Disabilities Training

Montgomery, AL

August 1990 Minority Issues Conference

(Program co-sponsored by DMH/MR and the Alliance for the Mentally III in

Alabama; assisted in coordination of conference)

Tuskegee Institute, AL

September 1988 Manager Interpersonal Skills – Train-the-Trainer

(Training program coordinated by the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation through the Division of Continuing Education at the University of

Alabama – Birmingham) Birmingham, AL

SPECIAL SKILLS

Computer literate in Widows environment; Word for Windows word processing; Lotus and Excel spreadsheets; PowerPoint presentation software; dBase and Access database; Internet;

DMH/MR mainframe report writer.

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### LOCATIONS

Your application will be retained in our non-merit recruitment files for one year, and you will be notified of non-merit vacancies at those facilities in which you express an interest. Please indicate below at which of our facilities you would consider employment. You will only be sent announcements of openings at facilities which you check. After one year and after each succeeding year, you will need to contact this office and request that your application remain in our active files and/or submit an updated application. Failure to do so will result in your name being removed from our mailing list and your application will be destroyed.

#### Mental Illness Facilities

	) Bryce Hospital — Tuscaloosa, AL
Ċ	) Searcy Hospital Mt. Vernon, AL
	) Harper Geriatric Psychiatry Center — Tuscaloosa, Al
	) North Alabama Regional Hospital — Decatur, AL
	) Thomasville MH Rehab Center — Thomasville, AL
	) Hardin Secure Medical Facility — Tuscaloosa, AL
	) Greil Psychiatric Hospital — Montgomery, AL

#### Mental Retardation Facilities

(	) William D. Partlow Developmental Center — Tuscaloosa, AL
	) Albert P. Brewer Developmental Center — Mobile, AL
	) Lurieen B. Wallace Developmental Center — Decatur, AL
Ì	) J. S. Tarwater Developmental Center — Wetumpka, AL

#### **ICF Nursing Homes**

(	) Alice Kidd — Tuscaloosa, AL
ĺ	) S.D. Allen — Tuscaloosa, AL
	) Claudette Box — Mt. Vernon, AL

(X) Central Administrative Offices-Montgomery, AL

(See map on last page for locations of facilities)

REFERRAL

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employees. Established peer panels for employees to settle a disciplinary action. Processed unemployment claims . Gee Resume)

3. Employer Security Engineers - Owner of Your Official Job Title Research Specialist
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272 Snow Drive Homewood, AL 3509 205/25+0566 Bockground Check Dervices
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Number/Title of Employees you Supervised Equipment you Operated Reason for Leaving
2-5 Computer, Copier & Fax machines new job in H.K.  Describe your Duties in Detail: Conducted interviews. Cross trained allemployees on
manner. Provided additional help to Research Specialists when client
reguests increase. Corresponded with clients on both positive and
regative feedback. Developed current associates in order to promote
associates. Confuncted annual performance appraisals and
monthly status checks. Haintained all records in data base and
hard copies. Ensured that accurate background checks were performed.
1. Employer Your Official Job Title Teletech Human Resources Assistant
Address/Zip Code Telephone Number Type of Business
FROM TO Total Fulltime (X) Partime () Name of Supervisor Ending Salary  Name of Supervisor Fulltime (X) Partime (X
Number/Title of Employees you Supervised Equipment you Operated Reason for Leaving
None Computer Copier, Fax machine Position Eliminated
Describe your Duties in Detail Conducted new hire orientation. Processed new hire
paperwork. Updated termination database. Assisted employees with
any questions ranging from benefit information to other human
resources related issues. Assisted prospective new hires for employment
with application process. Administered assessment test Handled
internation posting system. Merged CoBRA letters. Generated 4 maintained
AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: I hereby authorize the Security Division or Personnel Office of the Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation bearing this release or copy thereof, within one year of this date, to obtain any information in your files pertaining to my previous employment, educational records and/or
transcripts, licenses, certifications, or conviction records. I hereby authorize you to release such records or information upon the request of the bearer of this felease desument. The information you supply will be used principally as a basis for an investigation to determine my qualifications for employment with the Alabama
Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation. I hereby release you as custodian of such records from any and all liability damages which may result to me, my heirs or family because of compliance with this authorization and request to release information, or any attempt to comply with it. Should there be any question as to
the validity of authenticity of this release, you may contact me as indicated below.
FULL NAME CONCELL TO COLAR SECURITY #
FULL NAME Danielle Moniquie Coteat CURRENT ADDRESS 2749 Tempe Crest Drive
(typed or Printed Name)
DAJE OF BIRTH
WITNESS DATE DATE
CERTIFICATE/SIGNATURE
Must be signed in ink by applicant
I Certify that all statements on or attached to this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements may cause me to be refused the
opportunity of employment or cause my employment to be appropriated without recourse to due process or protection provided by law.

# ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

#### APPLICANT DATA RECORD

DATE: 9 26 05

To help this Department evaluate our elforts as an Equal Opportunity Employer, we are requesting that you complete the following items of personal information: Your answers to these questions will be used only to study recruiting and employment patterns, and to furnish necessary information for government reports. We appreciate your cooperation.

This sheet will be separated from the employment application upon receipt, and will be maintained in a separate file. It will, in no way, affect consideration for possible employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation:

	PLEASE PRI	NT.
NAME <u>Cotea</u>	t, Danielle First	Moniquie Middle
ADDRESS 2749 Street	Temple Crest Drive Bi	ermingham, AL 35209 Zip Code
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER		
TITLE OF POSITIONS APPI FOR AND DATE APPLIED: Dept-Asst. Pers		
RACE:	(★) Black	GENDER: ( ) Male (X) Female  AGE: 31 Birthdate 10,09,13
( ) Caucasian ( ) American Indian	( ) Asian/Pacific Islander	VETERAN: ( ) Yes (X) No
( ) Hispanic	( ) Non-Resident Alien	
( ) Other		

#### DANIELLE M. COTEAT

2749 Temple Crest Drive Birmingham, Alabama 35209 (205) 941-9942

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To obtain a position that will enhance my present skills and abilities while providing an opportunity for advancement and stability

#### **RELEVANT EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management, August 1997 University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama

#### **EXPERIENCE**

H.R.M. Benefits Counselor, October 2004 to Present UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM, Birmingham, Alabama

Conduct the Benefits presentation to new hires during orientation. Enroll employees in the TIAA-CREF (403b) and RSA-1 retirement programs by scheduled appointments. Meet with prospective retirees to facilitate the retirement process by completing the required forms for the Teacher's Retirement System of Alabama. Calculate vacation and unused sick days for retirement purposes. Enter all new hires benefits into ORACLE. Process all new hire and status change paperwork for hospital personnel. Generate the appropriate correspondence regarding benefits for new hire and employee status changes for hospital employees including leave of absences. Process insurance changes for employees and enters the refunds and special inputs to reflect the changes due to the qualifying life event. Verify and research information for vendors such as Viva, UCC, TIAA-CREF etc. Answer questions for employees regarding their benefits and retirement programs. Provide phone coverage and assist walk-ins as needed. Research any problems regarding employee's benefits by retrieving documentation from the records department or OPTI-DOC. Assist employees to complete benefit forms including medical insurance, life and AD& D insurance, and Teacher's Retirement and other required forms as it relates to the benefits they are eligible for according to their employment status. Make sure employees are current on their deductions when they return from leave of absences and if not adjust the arrears accordingly. Log all refunds in the refund logbook Excel spreadsheet. Enter all new hires into the Access spreadsheet including whether they turned in the required forms. Make copies of all Teachers' retirement enrollment forms, retirement applications, TIAA-CREF applications, and correspondence and forward to Records to be put into the employee's personnel file. Set up employee's contributions for 403b and RSA-1 when they originally enroll in either retirement program. Adjust employee's TIAA-CREF and RSA-1 contributions in ORACLE according to change on the employee's salary authorization form. Coordinate employee's maximum IRS federal contributions for 403b between UAB and HSF. Calculate the maximum monthly contributions over 12 months period or prorated months for employees to reach the annual limit if desired. Conduct exit interviews regarding the cancellation of benefits, COBRA, and transferring or withdrawing retirement contributions. Assist employee's to enter into and come out of the DROP program after the minimal three commitments. Enter refunds after biweekly and monthly payrolls for any over deductions on medical and dental premiums. Restarting benefits when employee terminations are reversed.



#### Human Resources Assistant, November 2001 to October 2004 CHILDREN'S HEALTH SYSTEM, Birmingham, Alabama

Assisted with new hire orientation and benefits fair open enrollment. Assist employees with benefits questions regarding Medical, Vision, and Dental Insurance, Flexible Spending, Tuition Reimbursement, 401K, and Life Insurance. Assisted in Recruitment process by prescreening applications/resumes and conducting phone screenings. Entered applicant data information into Peoplesoft. Managed the background check process. Scheduled applicants for drug screenings. Administered pre-employment tests. Sent out offer and rejection letters including applicant postcards. Processed RN referrals. Entered disciplinary actions into PeopleSoft. Maintained HRIS records. Scheduled Administrative Reviews for grievances filed by former employees. Established peer panels for employees to settle a disciplinary action. Gathered employee information for subpoena purposes. Processed unemployment claims. Scanned, linked, and routed performance appraisals in IMAGE NOW. Registered new hires for orientation in the CHEX system. Handled travel arrangements and relocation. Edited and submitted employment

Human Resources Quality Assurance Coordinator, September 1999 to August 2001 INVESTIGATIONS CORPORATION OF ALABAMA, Birmingham, Alabama

Conducted interviews, Cross-trained all employees on current procedures. Acknowledge and serviced clients in a timely manner. Provided additional help to Research Specialists when client requests increase. Corresponded with clients on both positive and negative feedback. Developed current associates in order to promote associates to management positions. Conducted annual performance appraisals and monthly status checks. Maintained all records in the database and hard copies. Ensured that accurate background checks were being performed. Made sure requests were processed in a timely manner and that deadlines were met. Followed up on overdue reports and searches.

Human Resources Assistant, August 1999 to September 1999 TELETECH, Birmingham, Alabama

Conducted new hire orientation. Processed new hire paperwork. Updated termination database. Assisted employees with any questions ranging from benefit information to other human resources related issues. Assisted prospective new hires for employment with application process. Administered assessment test. Handled internal job posting system. Merged COBRA letters. Generated and maintained employee files. Assembled benefit packets for orientation. Entered new hires, terminations, benefits, and employee data changes into the HR database.

Research Specialist, June 1998 - August 1999 INVESTIGATIONS CORPORATION OF ALABAMA, Birmingham, Alabama

Conducted employment verifications on prospective new employees for several companies. Researched each applicant's criminal background record. Verified educational requirements and professional licenses that are prerequisites for the specific professional jobs. Acquired social security traces, credit reports, and motor vehicle reports. Obtained character references, if needed. Created and maintained all applicant records for the clients. Provided quality customer service to the clients by answering any questions about our services or their request. Performed numerous administrative duties. Routed incoming calls to the appropriate person.

Computer-Based Training Author (CBT), January 1998 – June 1998 REGIONS BANK, Birmingham, Alabama

Developed computer based educational and training courses for internal employees. Maintained the existing courseware by updating any changes in the information and correcting any problems that were experienced by the users of the courseware. Communicated with users concerning problems experienced with courseware and answered any questions that aroused regarding the course. Recorded course grades into the Millennium database and employee's personnel files.

Human Resources Assistant, November 1996 – January 1998 REGIONS BANK, Birmingham, Alabama

Assisted the Employment Manager with daily duties of recruitment. Performed recruitment duties by attending job fairs and submitting ads to the local newspaper. Conducted interviews on perspective new employees for teller positions. Screened applications and resumes. Scheduled appointments for Employment Manager. Performed reference checks on candidates. Created and merged letters of correspondence regarding the status of applications and resumes that were submitted. Administered and graded test including, but not limited to, typing test and Hay Aptitude Battery test. Logged the results of the test in a spreadsheet. Acquired and interpreted credit reports. Handled internal job posting system process. Kept an account of external applicants for EEOC purposes. Calculated and entered payroll special pays. Relieved switchboard operator, as needed. Performed numerous clerical duties such as faxing, filing, and copying. Assisted on special projects as needed.

#### COMPUTER SKILLS

Microsoft Word

Microsoft Outlook Lotus 1-2-3 WordPerfect CHEX Image Now

Microsoft Excel
Microsoft Access

Registrar

Horizons OPTI-DOC

Soft Access
PeopleSoft

ORACLE

#### **HONORS & ACTIVITIES**

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Society for Human Resource Management (Secretary) Order of Omega Fraternal Honor Society

#### REFERENCES

Fumished upon request

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JOAN FAULK OWENS and KAREN LYNN HUBBARD,	)
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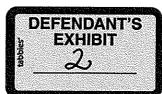
## AFFIDAVIT OF SUSAN P. CHAMBERS

STATE OF ALABAMA	)
	)
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY	)

Before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Susan Chambers, who, after having been sworn, identified herself to me and gave the following testimony:

"My name is Susan P. Chambers and I am the Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness, Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. My office is in Montgomery, Alabama. I am a white female. I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology and a Master's Degree in Public Administration. I have served as Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness since November 2005. Prior to serving as Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness, I was the Director of Greil Hospital in Montgomery for eight (8) years. I have personal knowledge of the testimony contained in this affidavit.

I was a member of the five-person interview panel with respect to the job of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. The panel interviewed three applicants who



met the minimum qualifications. Those applicants were Marilyn Benson, Commie Carter and Danielle Coteat. The panel members were Eranelle Wilson, a black female, Associate Commissioner for Mental Retardation, Kent Hunt, a white male, Associate Commissioner for Substance Abuse, Doug Lunsford, a white male who is an employee of the State Personnel Department, not the Alabama Department of Mental Health, and David Bennett, a black male, Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel. The attached documents are to the best of my knowledge a true, accurate and complete copy of the interview file with regard to this position. The interviews were, to my knowledge, conducted objectively and without preference to any candidate. There was no discussion in the interview process with regard to any predetermined preference by any person relative to the scoring of the individual candidates. There was no discussion of any kind whatsoever among the interview panel members regarding a predetermined favored applicant. The process was fair and objective. As can be observed from the summary of scoring by the panel, "ADMH 04-00076," Marilyn Benson received the highest score from every panel member.

While I was the Director at Greil Hospital in Montgomery, Joan Owens worked as my Personnel Manager for a period of time that, I believe, was less than one year. Ms. Owens was a task-oriented worker who was proficient in accomplishing tasks that were given to her to perform. At the time Ms. Owens worked as Personnel Manager at Greil, we had approximately 130 employees. Ms. Owens knew how to deal with merit registers, payroll and other technical tasks. However, she lacked the knowledge, experience or ability to capably manage a personnel office in a hospital setting. Ultimately, Ms. Owens was transferred to the Central Office at a time when the handling of some of the personnel

functions of Tarwater and Greil were combined in that office. However, Ms. Owens did not perform as Personnel Manager for Greil after she went back to the Central Personnel Office.

As Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness and as the prior Director of Greil Hospital, it is my opinion that the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager is a position which requires a Bachelor's Degree.

Further, the Affiant sayeth not.

<u>Aluxan D. Charillere</u> SUSAN P. CHAMBERS

STATE OF ALABAMA )
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY )

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Susan P. Chambers, whose name is signed to the foregoing, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day, that being informed of the contents of said document, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this 25# day of

2008.

[SEAL]

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

# DEPARTMENTAL ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER ASSESSMENT FOR February 28, 2006

Panelists: Eranell Wilson, Susan Chambers, Kent Hunt,

& David, Bennett, Doug Lunsford

	Marilyn Benson	Commie Carter Danielle Coteat	Danielle Coteat
Wilson	32	24	
Chambers	27	21	10
き工	32	26	8
Lunsford	35	27	9
Bennett	38	28	10
Total	164	126	41
Average	32.8	25.2	8.2

Ranking of Candidates:

Marilyn Benson
 Commie Carter
 Danielle Coteat

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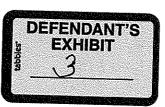
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	)	
Defendants.	)	

## AFFIDAVIT OF BETTY BECK

STATE OF ALABAMA	)
	)
COUNTY OF TUSCALOOSA	)

Before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Betty Beck, who, after having been sworn, identified herself to me and gave the following testimony:

My name is Betty Beck. I am a Caucasian female. I work in the Personnel Department at Partlow, under Mike Mathis, who is our Personnel Director. I am a Personnel Specialist II. I have personal knowledge of the testimony contained in this affidavit. I perform a variety of personnel transactions in the Personnel Office. In October, 2005, I was asked to put an ad in the classified section of the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u> providing application information for an open position called Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager for the Central Personnel Office in Montgomery, Alabama. I placed the ad to run October 23, 2005 and provided the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u> with information for the purpose of running the ad. I saw that the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u> did not run the ad on that date and I, therefore, either inquired as to why they had not run the ad or



therefore, either inquired as to why they had not run the ad or I received a call from the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u> on or about October 24, 2005, advising me that they could not place the ad until an account balance had been paid. I, therefore, contacted the Partlow Financial Services Office to advise them of this problem. After advising the Partlow Financial Services Office of the problem, I was advised that the Montgomery office of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation would have to resolve the balance due before the ad could be placed. After that point in time, I did not have anything else to do with placing the ad. However, I have reviewed a document which is numbered ADMH 08-00004" and which is attached hereto. This document is a classified ad section from the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u>. This document contains the same information that I provided to the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u> for the purpose of advertising this job. I do not know when this ad ran in the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u> from personal knowledge, but the ad does appear to be the ad that I sent to the <u>Tuscaloosa News</u> for them to run with regard to the open position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Further, the Affiant sayeth not.

Belly Beck

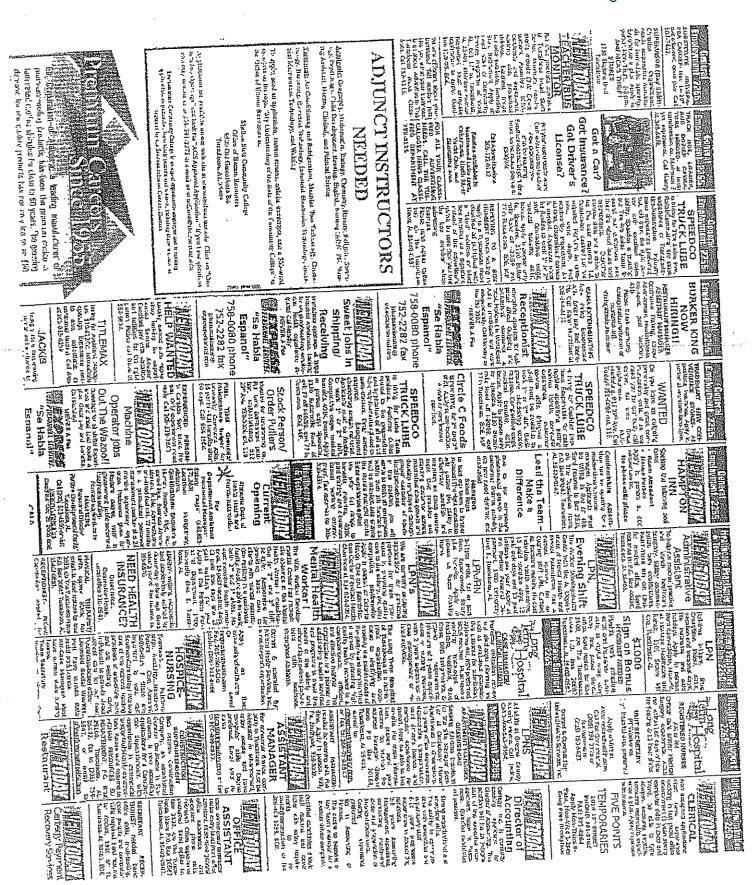
STATE OF ALABAMA )
COUNTY OF TUSCALOOSA )

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Betty Beck, whose name is signed to the foregoing, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day, that being informed of the contents of said document, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this 26 day of 9000.

NOTARY PUBLIC

{SEAL} My Commission Expires: 3 30 2010



## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

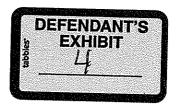
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Defendants.	)

## AFFIDAVIT OF BECKY BURELL

STATE OF ALABAMA	)
	)
COUNTY OF TUSCALOOSA	)

Before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Becky Burell, who, after having been sworn, identified herself to me and gave the following testimony:

"My name is Becky Burell. I am a Caucasian female and I am employed in the Partlow Developmental Center Personnel Office. I am a Personnel Specialist II. Prior to working in the Partlow Personnel Department, I worked in the Central Personnel Office in Montgomery, Alabama. One of my duties was assigning position numbers for various positions that were going to be announced or filled. Another one of my jobs was to send out the job announcements. I have received and reviewed the attached document numbered "ADMH 08-00001". This is a true and correct copy of the number assignment log that I kept while I worked at the Central Personnel Office in Montgomery. Someone asked me for a job number for the classification called Departmental Assistant Personnel



Manager. On the log, this entry appears in my handwriting as "Asst. Dept. Personnel Manager." The number given to that position was 8813339. I would have sent out the announcement for this job the first time it was announced. Announcements of this type were sent to the addresses on the lists that I have seen and reviewed and that are attached hereto as "ADMH 08-00002" and "ADMH 08-00003". Further, this announcement would have been sent to all State facilities of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and it would have been posted on the website. I was the one who sent out this announcement.

I do not recall whether I sent a second announcement. If I did send a second announcement, it would have been sent to the same places to which the first announcement was sent.

As I have said, I do not recall who asked for this position number. However, I do recall that, at a later time, Henry Ervin asked me to type a document of interview questions that were in a format that he did not want to use. He asked me to retype the questions in a different format. At that time, Mr. Ervin told me something like, "Keep this confidential," or "Don't say anything about this," or something else to that effect. This was not unusual for Mr. Ervin to say about any position in process.

The documents which are attached to this affidavit and which are numbered "ADMH 08-00001" through "ADMH 08-00003" are true and correct copies of the number assignment log ("ADMH 08-00001") and the list used to send announcements to entities appearing on that list.

Further, the Affiant sayeth not.

STATE OF ALABAMA

**COUNTY OF TUSCALOOSA** 

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Becky Burell, whose name is signed to the foregoing, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day, that being informed of the contents of said document, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of

My Commission Expires: 3

# **Central Office - Administration**

PCQ ASSIGNMENT	JOB TITLE
404E 8813336	Interpreter I 87000 established in St. Pers. System
4045 8813337	Pharmacist III X3000 Not yet established in Stress
4016 8813338	the state of the s
404E 8813339	Health Facilities Manager  Asst. Dept. Personnel Manager  MH Soc. III (8005) medical Manager
404E 8813340	MH Spec. III (8005) mental Illness 4-16-2005
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HOHE 8813346	Fiscal Manager IV 6-25-05
4045 8813347	Legal Assistant
4046 8813348	MH Spec. IV
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4046 8813350	Administrator I 28/1
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881 3356	Administrator III
9813357-881335	
8813359	Accounting Assistant I 10-1-2005
8813360	MH Spec. I 12-24-2005
8813361	Staff Dev. Spec. IV (4140) 2-18-2006
8813362	Attorney IV 4180 084
8813363	Planning & Quality Assurance Spec, II May 1, 2006
8813364	Fiscal Manager III 5-1-2006 4035 - Finance
9813365	Comm. Serv. Spec. III - 8207 9-1-2006
8813347	Coding Compliance DRG Spec. 41500- 8-16-2006 Yex Ox.
8813348 313E	Comm. Serv. Spec. III - 8207 9-1-2006 / 1/2006 Coding Compliance DRG Spec. Y1500-8-16-2006 / 1/2006 Comm Serv. Spec. III - 8207 - 9-1-2006
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DIRECTOR
CALHOUN-CLEBURNE MH CENTER
P O BOX 2205
ANNISTON, AL 36202

DIRECTOR
CHILTON-SHELBY MH CENTER
P O DRAWER 689
CALERA, AL 35040

DIRECTOR
EASTSIDE MH CENTER INC
129 E PARK CIRCLE
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35235

DIRECTOR
INDIAN RIVERS MH CENTER
P O BOX 2190
TUSCALOOSA, AL 35403

DIRECTOR
MOBILE MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
5750A SOUTHLAND DRIVE
MOBILE, AL 36693-3316

DIRECTOR RIVERBEND CENTER FOR MH P O BOX 941 FLORENCE, AL 35631

DIRECTOR
UAB COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY MH
P O BOX 314 UNIV STATION
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35294

DIRECTOR
DOTHAN SPECTRACARE
P O DRAWER 1245
DOTHAN, AL 36302

PLACEMENT OFFICE ALABAMA A & M UNIVERSITY P O BOX 997 NORMAL, AL 35762

PLACEMENT OFFICE TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY TUSKEGEE, AL 36088 DIRECTOR CHEAHA MH CENTER P O BOX 1248 SYLACAUGA, AL 35150

DIRECTOR
EAST ALABAMA MH CENTER
2506 LAMBERT DR
OPELIKA, AL 36801

DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL GREATER MOBILE MH/MR BD INC 5750A SOUTHLAND DRIVE MOBILE, AL 36693-3316

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940 MONTCLAIR ROAD SUITE 200
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35213

DIRECTOR M H CENTER OF N. CENTRAL AL, INC 4110 HWY 31 SOUTH DECATUR, AL 35603

DIRECTOR
SOUTH CENTRAL ALABAMA MH CTR
P O BOX 1028
ANDALUSIA, AL 36420

DIRECTOR
WEST ALABAMA MH CENTER
P O DRAWER J
DEMOPOLIS, AL 36732

PLACEMENT OFFICE OAKWOOD COLLEGE BLAKE CENTER ROOM 109 HUNTSVILLE, AL 35896

SHARON BROOKS
CAREER DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
P.O. BOX 244023
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36124-4023

STILLMAN COLLEGE STUDENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER P O BOX 1430 TUSCALOOSA, AL 35403 DIRECTOR CHEROKEE-ETOWAH-DEKALB MH CTR 901 GOODYEAR AVENUE GADSDEN, AL 35903

DIRECTOR EAST CENTRAL MH/MR CENTER 200 CHERRY STREET TROY, AL 36081

DIRECTOR HUNTSVILLE-MADISON CO MH CTR 4040 MEMORIAL PKWY SW HUNTSVILLE, AL 35802-4364

DIRECTOR MARSHALL-JACKSON MH CENTER 2409 HOMER CLAYTON DRIVE GUNTERSVILLE, AL 35976

DIRECTOR
NORTHWEST ALABAMA MH CENTER
1100 7TH AVENUE
JASPER, AL 35501

DIRECTOR SOUTHWEST ALABAMA MH/MR CTR P O BOX 964 MONROEVILLE, AL 36461

DIRECTOR
WESTERN MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
1701 AVENUE D
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35218

PLACEMENT OFFICE ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY MONTGOMERY, AL 36195

PLACEMENT OFFICE MILES COLLEGE 5500 AVENUE G BIRMINGHAM, AL 35208

PLACEMENT OFFICE TALLADEGA COLLEGE 627 WEST BATTLE STREET TALLADEGA, AL 35160 PLACEMENTS OF PLOT - CV-00650-WHA-TELEALD DARRIEMENT 37-5 ATHEN'S STATE COLLEGE CAP 300 NORTH BEATY STREET BX 246 BOX 9269

**ATHENS, AL 35611** 

DIRECTOR MACON CO COUNCIL ON RETARDATION 405-A MACON DRIVE TUSKEGEE, AL 36083

DIRECTOR COFFEE COUNTY TRAINING CENTER P O BOX 1343 ENTERPRISE, AL 36331

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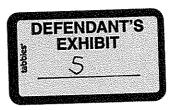
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STATE OF ALABAMA DEPT. OF	)
MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL	)
RETARDATION, et al.,	)
Defendants.	)

## AFFIDAVIT OF JUNE LYNN

STATE OF ALABAMA	)

Before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared June Lynn, who, after having been sworn, identified herself to me and gave the following testimony:

"My name is June Lynn and I am the Executive Assistant and Advisory Attorney to the Associate Commissioner for Administration at the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation ("ADMH"). I have personal knowledge of the testimony in this affidavit. I have served in this capacity for a number of years. I am a Caucasian female. During the time Otha Dillihay was the Associate Commissioner for Administration, he was temporarily transferred within the ADMH to serve as the Associate Commissioner of Mental Illness. Effective July 23, 2005, I was appointed Acting Associate Commissioner for Administration. At that same time, Mr. Dillihay's appointment as the Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness became effective. I served as Acting Commissioner for



Administration through November 12, 2005, at which time Mr. Dillihay returned to the position of Associate Commissioner for Administration. While I was Acting Associate Commissioner for Administration from July 23, 2005 through November 12, 2005, I performed the duties of the Associate Commissioner and had the authority of the Associate Commissioner during that time. In this time frame and before, while serving as Mr. Dillihay's Executive Assistant and Advisory Attorney, I examined and approved of the specification and announcements for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. I agreed with and still agree with the requirement of a Bachelor Degree for this position without substitution.

At a point in time during my tenure as Acting Associate Commissioner for Administration at ADMH, Joan Owens, one of the Plaintiffs in the above-styled case, came to me and asked that I include the "substitution clause" in the specification for Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. At that time, Ms. Owens wanted the "substitution clause" included in the specification so she could apply for this job because she did not have a Bachelor Degree. I told her that I could not and would not change the specification as written, particularly with regard to the qualifications. I told her that, not only had my former boss, Otha Dillihay, participated to an extent in the drafting of the specification, but also that I agreed with the specification and announcement regarding the qualifications and the requirement of a Bachelor's Degree as a minimum qualification. A Bachelor's Degree should be a qualification for the work of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Further, during my tenure as Acting Associate Commissioner, ADMH started the process of investigating the best alternative for conducting a wage and classification study. Before undertaking changes regarding all or the majority of ADMH higher level positions to require, as a minimum qualification, a four-year college degree, ADMH needed the benefit of a new wage and class study. The only wage and class study available at that time was a study performed in 1985. This 1985 study was quite old and needed updating. This study did allow for some substitution regarding some, but not all, classifications. "Substitution" is a term frequently used for the allowance of experience of a certain type and specified time as an alternative to meeting specified educational qualifications. For example, a position specification that sets forth a qualification requirement of a Bachelor Degree, but allows for the use of job-related experience of a certain amount and type to serve as or in the place of this Bachelor Degree requirement, is said to allow "substitution". "Substitution" may also be used where a person has a degree, but not in the specified field. There are a number of ways "substitution" might be used. At one time, the Department allowed one year of job-related experience to be substituted for one year of college. This allowance has been changed so that two years of job-related experience are required to substitute for one year of college. This change was made for the purpose of valuing education to a greater degree than experience. Exhibit 1 to this affidavit is a true and correct copy of the May 4, 2005 Job Evaluation Committee minutes adopting the two for one "substitution" allowance. Exhibit 2 to this affidavit is a true and correct copy of the prior February 24, 2005 JEC minutes where Associate Commissioner for Administration and

Personnel, Otha Dillihay, expressed concern about the "year for year substitution devaluating the earned degree".

In trying to get the wage and classification study started, we met with Auburn University at Montgomery. Auburn University had performed the wage and classification study for the Department in 1985 and AUM had performed a further study in 1989 on 25 direct care exempt classifications. Auburn University at Montgomery had to spend a good bit of time reviewing records and asking questions of certain employees of the Department before the AUM team could give us a price for performing the wage and classification study. The price that the Department was given by AUM for this study was considered to be too high, so a decision was made to develop a Request for Proposal and to advertise this Request for Proposal in an effort to obtain a wage and classification study proposal that would meet the ADMH need, while at the same time, requiring a smaller monetary expenditure. I do not recall the date we first met with AUM to begin discussions regarding the wage and classification study, but I do know that the AUM proposal that the Department received after AUM's work-up was dated December 20, 2005.

Thereafter, our efforts to develop the Request for Proposal began. Developing a Request for Proposal takes time, as does the advertising of the Request for Proposal. Further, time must be allowed for any individual or entity wishing to submit a proposal for the wage and classification study to gain an understanding of the size and scope of the project and to develop a price for the purpose of submitting a proposal for consideration by ADMH. The Request for Proposal was advertised widely. The Request for Proposal was released and advertised on May 28 and 29, 2006. Numerous proposals were received

by ADMH which had to be analyzed. ADMH selected The Segal Group for the purpose of conducting the wage and classification study after due consideration of the various proposals. A contract for this wage and classification study was executed between the Department and The Segal Group on February 1, 2007. The wage and classification study was performed. The wage and classification study process is a cooperative process. This process was engaged in between ADMH and Segal. A large amount of information must be provided to Segal by numerous individuals within the ADMH which must then be analyzed by Segal. After all of this work, The Segal Group completed and presented its final report on the study to ADMH in November 2007. After the submission of this report to ADMH, the report was distributed to the various Personnel Managers within the Mental Health and Mental Retardation facilities around the state and to others. The facilities' personnel representatives and Central Office participants spent several months studying and discussing the Segal report before making a recommendation and submitting the specifications to the Commissioner. It is my understanding that the Commissioner has been studying the recommendations and specifications submitted to him and that he has been analyzing the costs to ADMH of paying salaries with regard to and commensurate with the wage and classification study. It is my understanding that new specifications will be released individually as necessary and as soon as the Commissioner has had adequate opportunity to study the new specifications and their impact on the Department from a financial standpoint. However, some specifications from the study will be released if a need arises to fill certain important positions.

During the time that Mr. Dillihay was Associate Commissioner for Administration, which was from June 1, 2004 up to July 23, 2005, when he was temporarily transferred to serve as Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness, and from November 12, 2005, when he returned to his former role as Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel, through his resignation effective April 2, 2007, I served as his Executive Assistant and Advisory Attorney. As part of my duties in Mr. Dillihay's absence and in my capacity as Acting Associate Commissioner, I attended Job Evaluation Committee meetings. Otha Dillihay, the Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel, also attended Job Evaluation Committee meetings when it was possible for him to attend. In the event I did not attend the meetings, I did review the minutes. I reviewed the minutes attached as Exhibit 2 in which Judith Johnston, another JEC member, agreed that it was important to look at the qualifications and credentials of persons who have earned degrees before persons without earned degrees.

Mr. Dillihay and Mr. Ervin had periodic meetings because Mr. Dillihay was Mr. Ervin's boss. Mr. Dillihay held the opinion that a Bachelor's Degree was important to higher level job positions, which included Managers' and Assistant Managers' positions. I am aware, also, that Commissioner Houston held the opinion that Bachelor Degrees were important to higher level job positions.

Exhibit 4 is a true and correct copy of the July 22, 2005 Job Evaluation Committee meeting minutes. At the bottom of page 2, a note appears in dark letters that states:

"Central Office positions were all approved. There was discussion regarding the Fiscal Manager IV (Budget Officer), the Administrator VII and the Assistant Departmental Personnel Manager positions." Then in regular print, the note states:

"There was discussion about announcing the Assistant Departmental Personnel Manager position until the beginning of the fiscal year. Due to the nature of these positions, there was concern about how the facilities would perceive announcing new positions at a time when new hiring restrictions are being imposed."

"A motion was made and a vote was taken to approve announcing the positions. The discretion on when to announce the Fiscal Manager IV and the Administrator VII would be left up to the Commissioner. It was voted to delay announcing the Assistant Personnel Director until the beginning of the fiscal year."

I attended this meeting. I do not recall the specific discussion concerning the position of Assistant Departmental Personnel Manager. However, I did know at the time of this meeting that a Bachelor's Degree was required for this position and that no substitution provision would be included or allowed in the specification or the announcement. It is certainly possible that this was discussed in the meeting, but I just do not recall specifically the nature of the discussion.

Additionally, at the time this meeting was held, I knew that Commissioner Houston required that the position of Assistant Departmental Personnel Manager be filled by a person with at least a Bachelor's Degree and that substitution of experience would not be allowed to take the place of a Bachelor's Degree.

The Job Evaluation Committee, pursuant to State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Policy is a Division of Administration/Personnel. Exhibit 5 hereto is a true and correct copy of the Joint Evaluation Committee Policy. The Standards Section of this document which is Part II, item number 1, states as follows: "The Committee

will be responsible for making recommendations to the Commissioner on the following issues:

- a. Revisions to classification specifications.
- b. Establishment of new job classifications.
- c. Salary range adjustments in assigned classifications.
- d. Substitution of training and experience for established minimum qualification requirements.

The JEC is responsible for making recommendations only. The JEC has no authority of approval. Prior to the July 22, 2005 Job Evaluation Committee meeting, the Commissioner had approved the creation of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position as an exempt position and he had set forth and required that the qualifications for this position, at the least, must constitute a Bachelor's Degree as a minimum, ruling out the possibility of the substitution of experience for the Degree.

When Ms. Owens came to me asking that substitution be added to the specification for the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position, or at a later time not long afterward, she told me that Mr. Ervin had a History Degree and that he did not qualify to be the Director of Personnel without having been allowed substitution of some kind to compensate for his not having a degree in the required subject matter. I tried to explain to Ms. Owens that, even though this might be correct, Mr. Ervin had been Personnel Director for a long time and that it was not the practice of the Department to fire someone who had been allowed substitution to initially obtain a job simply to hire someone else and fire the incumbent in order to satisfy the requirements of a more stringent qualification

standard. The Department will hire a person to replace Mr. Ervin who meets a new qualification requirement that is more stringent than the one under which Mr. Ervin was, hired and no substitution will be allowed.

Henry Ervin has now accepted a different position with ADMH. Mr. Ervin applied for and was interviewed for this job. He was ultimately offered this job. His effective date for the purpose of beginning work in this job is July 1, 2008. Associate Commissioner for Administration and Personnel, David Bennett, either has already or soon will be releasing the new specification for the purpose of announcing the opening of the job that Mr. Ervin will vacate, which is Central Office Personnel Director. An announcement for the filling of Mr. Ervin's job as Central Office Personnel Director will be released and advertised. Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a true and correct copy of the specification for that position.

Further, the Affiant sayeth not.

JUNE LYNN

STATE OF ALABAMA

**COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY** 

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that June Lynn, whose name is signed to the foregoing, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me, on this day, that being informed of the contents of said document, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this 27 44 day of _

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## MINUTES OF THE JOB EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MAY 4, 2005

May 4, 2005

Members Present:

Henry Ervin
Paul Bisbee
Kent Hunt
John Zeigler
Judith Johnston
Eranell Wilson

Henry began the meeting with the request from Partlow requesting reallocation of Harry Vance, Psychological Assistant, Johnny Bodiford, Psychological Assistant, and Susan Davis, Psychological Assistant to Habilitation Treatment Coordinator I. After a discussion of the duties of Habilitation Treatment Coordinator I, Kent Hunt questioned why the Committee had been ask to do a reallocation. Kent said the Committee has not been doing reallocations in the past. Henry asked everyone to look at the agenda, Item III "Modification of JEC Policy "to reflect reallocation as part of the Committees' responsibilities. Henry said he wants all reallocations to be brought before the JEC. Kent Hunt made the motion to reallocate the Psychological Assistants to the classification of Habilitation Treatment Coordinator I. Paul Bisbee seconded and the Committee approved the item.

Henry requested the reallocation of Catheryn Townsend, Mental Health Specialist III to Fiscal Manager III. Henry reported that a desk audit had been completed and her classification warranted it to be changed to Fiscal Manager III. Paul Bisbee and Eranell Wilson said Fiscal Manager III's in the Facilities are much more complex than the duties of the Contract Office. Judith said Fiscal Manager III in Facilities deal with much more than contracts. Kent Hunt asked if another classification would be more appropriate. Henry concurred that the audit did not reflect a Fiscal Manager III.

Henry requested the reallocation of Sheila Grant, Administrator III and Joe Stringer, Administrator III to Administrator IV. Eranell asked whom they reported to, and their job description. After a discussion, Kent made the motion to reallocate and Eranell seconded, the item passed.

Henry recommended to the Committee that substitution of experience for education in the exempt hiring process be change. Presently the substitution is 1 year of work experience for 1 year of education. The recommended change would be: a. Recommend 2 years of work related experience for 1 year of education earned/achieved b. 8 years of

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directly related work experience for required 4 year degree (Bachelor's) Henry said it was the right thing to do. Judith Johnston asked if it would be the same for a Masters. Henry said it would be the same. Eranell made a motion and Paul seconded, the Committee approved the change.

Paul Bisbee brought up the problem of finding Psychological Associates I's. Judith Johnston said we need to look at the series and re-do like the Quality Assurance classification was changed. Paul Bisbee said he would have some one work on changes.

John Zeigler moved to adjourn, Committee adjourned.

Minutes submitted by:

Minutes approved by:

Joan Owens

Henry E. Ervin

# Minutes of the Job Evaluation Committee Meeting Held Thursday, February 24, 2005

## Members Present

Judith Johnston Paul Bisbee Otha Dillihay Eranell McIntosh-Wilson John Zeigler Henry Ervin

## Members Absent

### Kent Hunt

Due to a quorum not being met at the meeting scheduled for Friday, February 18th, a meeting was called on February 24th to discuss additional items of importance,

First item addressed was the revision of the Community Relations Specialist I job specification. John Zeigler expressed his concern about the quality of applicants who recently submitted applications for the recently advertised position in his area. intentions for this job is for it to be an entry level position which may not necessarily require a person to have a degree if they had some experience in the area of public It was voted and approved that the specification be amended by removing the 12-month experience requirement and also allowing the substitution clause to remain.

John also mentioned that he was seeking approval for Grace Russell to receive an exceptional raise. He said her hard work was evidenced by the increased quality of marketing efforts put forth by the department for example; annual reports, etc... The committee obviously agreed, however, it was noted by Chairman Henry Ervin that exceptional raises did not have to be approved by the Job Evaluation Committee. It was necessary to complete the appropriate form and documentation and have final approval by the Commissioner.

There was discussion regarding the substitution of required degrees and lowering the qualification requirements. Dillihay expressed concern about the year for year substitution and the possibility of devaluating the "earned degree." He also suggested that we review the selection procedure to reflect more adequate qualifiers for substitution. It was noted that the Job Evaluation Committee does have the flexibility to do that.

Judith Johnston added that she feels it is important the we look at the qualification and credentials of persons who have earned degrees first.

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educational requirements, then of course those individuals with experience but no degree would be considered.

Dillihay made a motion that HR review the exempt selection procedure and prepare a draft to review the matter of substitution. The motion was seconded and approved.

Another item of discussion was the conversion of merit system positions over to the exempt system. Dillihay stated that Commie Carter recently made a request to change one of her positions (ASA) over to an Administrator I. position needs to be replaced, he did not feel there was sufficient justification to support it being reclassified to the Administrator I He further added that the committee has the There was discussion regarding responsibility to look at the functionality of positions. the evolution of the entire Staff Development Section as it relates to their interaction with

A motion was introduced to disapprove the request to reclassify the position and any future requests of this nature should be reviewed by the Job Evaluation Committee. It was seconded and approved.

Another item of discussion was the substitution of experience for the degree on Jim Elliott at Bryce Hospital Personnel. While Mr. Elliott did not have a related degree, it was clearly noted that he had sufficient experience to substitute. The second candidate, Ms. Debra Marks, who is African American, had not only a bachelor's but a master's degree in a directly related field. Dillihay brought to the attention of the committee that it must be mindful of the litigious society in which we live. The objective in filling any position should be to hire the "most qualified candidate," not necessarily the "best candidate."

There was discussion regarding Ms. Marks' experience. It was noted that the interview panel confirmed a 6 point difference in the scoring. Even though Ms. Marks has come up in the ranks of the department, her experience in the area of personnel has not been to the overall scope and complexity from a managerial standpoint as compared to Mr. Elliott, nor has it been department wide.

A motion was made to approve the request for substitution, it was seconded and approved.

Other requests included substitution of experience (Habilitation Treatment Coordinator) for the required degree on Sandranetta Hanks and Teresa Harris, both at Partlow. After reviewing the job specification, Judith Johnston recommended that all the specs be reviewed from a system wide standpoint.

A motion was made and all the requests were approved.

It was also motioned and seconded that the Job Evaluation Committee Chairman send a memo to the Commissioner regarding future recommendations for re-allocation of positions.

The Committee agreed to get back on track with having quarterly meetings. The meeting was then adjourned.

Minutes Submitted by:

Minutes Approved by:



## STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

**RSA UNION BUILDING** 100 N. UNION STREET POST OFFICE BOX 301410 MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130-1410



# ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO FILL A NON-MERIT POSITION **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 08-14

**JOB TITLE:** 

**HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR** 

JOB CODE:

H7000

DATE:

6/27/08

**SALARY RANGE**: **(85)**\$71,961 - \$109,641

PCO#:

8812351

JOB LOCATION:

Department of Mental Health and

**Mental Retardation** 100 North Union St.

Montgomery, Al. 36130-1410

QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's degree in Personnel/Human Resource Management, Business Administration, Public Administration, Law, Labor Relations, or other related fields. Progressively responsible experience (96 months or more) in the field of human resource management, including considerable (48 months or more) experience in a supervisory capacity in human resources.

Preference will be given to individuals with:

- > Master's degree in any of the above specified fields of study
- > Work experience in the governmental/public sector
- > Work experience in a healthcare setting

This is highly responsible professional personnel management KIND OF WORK: of extensive scope and complexity. This position is located at the Central Office and is responsible for planning, organizing, developing, coordinating, and implementing a comprehensive personnel management program not only affecting Central Office, but all facilities in the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Various aspects of personnel include recruitment, selection and placement, position classification, personnel transactions, employee relations, performance appraisal, employee counseling/discipline, affirmative action, and employment records. Supervision is exercised over a professional



staff. Work is assigned with general instructions and objectives by the Associate Commissioner for Administration and/or Commissioner.

## KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Extensive knowledge of Personnel Board rules, policies, and procedures
- > Knowledge of principles of public administration, including classification, recruitment, selection, placement, and employee training
- > Knowledge of Mental Health programs, services, rules, and regulations
- > Knowledge of management principles and practices, and of the budgeting process
- > Knowledge of interviewing and counseling techniques
- > Knowledge of principles and practices of public personnel administration, regarding applicable rules, regulations, policies, and State and Federal legislation
- > Ability to interpret, and apply local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and policies relating to personnel
- > Ability to plan, assign, and direct the work of others
- > Ability to communicate ideas effectively both orally and in writing
- > Ability to collect, compile, and evaluate statistical data and other administrative
- > Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, department heads, other state agency officials, professional groups/individuals, and the general public

**METHOD OF SELECTION:** Applicants will be rated on the basis of an evaluation of their training, experience, and education and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications as above mentioned. All relevant information is subject to verification.

HOW TO APPLY: Use an official Application for Employment, which may be obtained from this office, at any Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation facility personnel office, or by visiting the website at: www.mh.alabama.gov Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of an official application. ONLY WORK EXPERIENCE DETAILED ON THE APPLICATION FORM WILL BE CONSIDERED. ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NEEDED, SHOULD BE IN THE SAME FORMAT AS APPLICATION. **PLEASE** INDICATE THE TITLE ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER OF THE VACANCY FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING ON THE APPLICATION. The application should be returned to the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation P.O. Box 301410 100 No. Union Street Montgomery, Al. 36130-1410 in order to be considered. Please have an official copy of transcript(s) forwarded to the personnel office at the above address: DEADLINE: Until Filled.

Jose Houston

# MENUTES OF THE JOB EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD July 22, 2005

Members Present: Henry Ervin

Kent Hunt
John Zeigler
Judith Johnston
Eranell Wilson

June Lynn

Also Attending:

Kathleen Brantley

Members Absent:

Otha Dillihay Paul Bisbee

Committee chairman began the meeting by noting this was the first meeting since the committee has been charged with additional responsibilities of reviewing all positions announced since the implementation of new hiring guidelines.

The first item to be considered was a substitution of experience on Kathy Cason (Rec. Activity Specialist I – North Ala. Regional). There was also an additional request to hire Ms. Cason beyond the minimum steps allowed. It was noted that the Committee does not have that responsibility; it is done solely at the approval of the Commissioner.

The second item: Review of the revised job specifications for the Community Service Specialist series. Old and new specs were handed out for Committee members to compare. It was noted that no change in salary range recommendations were made on the CSS I and CSS II series, however the new qualifications for the CSS III now allow a bachelor's level individual to qualify with experience. Recommendations were made to increase the ranges for the CSS III from range 72 to 74, the CSS IV from range 77 to 78 and the CSS V from 80 to 82. These recommendations were made based upon when funding becomes available. A motion was made to approve the specs as revised. Another motion was made to approve the pay ranges when funding is available. Both motions were seconded and approved. It was also noted that if anyone is hired in the interim, they would be hired at the current pay range.

There was discussion about whether or not a financial analysis had been done before making the proposed salary range increases. It was noted that because these positions are so unique, there are no positions in which to make a comparison.

Commissioner Houston addressed the group and thanked everyone for their willingness to accept the added responsibility of reviewing all the new positions under the new hiring guidelines. He mentioned two positions that he would like to fill, Fiscal Mgr. IV, and Administrator VII, but he stated that he did not have any intentions of acting on either one of them in the immediate future. He really wanted to get input from the Committee as to what their recommendations would be regarding both positions.

There was discussion about filling any new positions until the beginning of the fiscal year. Eranell Wilson recommended that there be no additions to the already existing deficit.

# Each Committee member was given a list of positions to be considered. Requests were reviewed by facility, starting with Bryce:

All Bryce requests were approved with the exception of the Plant Maintenance Worker. The committee voted and approved to hold this position until the next meeting.

There was discussion about many security officers getting their certifications and leaving the department as soon as they are certified. It was suggested that we come up with a policy that would require them to stay a certain length of time before they were able to transfer somewhere else.

Judith recommended that the facilities provide more detailed information when submitting letters of justification for their positions. She volunteered to work on outlining more specific details which would be useful in helping the committee. It was also noted that it might be necessary to get the facility director on the phone during the actual meetings to answer additional questions that the committee may have regarding the need to replace their positions, particularly if they have been vacant for some time.

The request from Griel for a MH Security Officer I was withdrawn from consideration.

North Alabama Regional's request for a Plant Maintenance Worker was approved.

Partlow's requests were all approved.

Searcy's requests were all approved with the exception of (2) ASA I's, Material Manager II, and (2) Staff Development Specialist I's that were put on hold. There was discussion regarding the Staff Development Specialist positions, and the Staff Dev. Spec. IV was approved.

Taylor Hardin Secure Medical's positions were all approved with the exception of (2) Security Officer positions: (Don Fowler & Roy Swartz).

Central Office positions were all approved. There was discussion regarding the Fiscal Manager IV (Budget Officer), the Administrator VII, and the Assistant Dept.

Personnel Manager positions. There was discussion about announcing the Assistant Dept. Personnel Manager position until the beginning of the fiscal year. Due to the nature of these positions, there was concern about how facilities would perceive announcing new positions at a time when new hiring restrictions are being imposed.

A motion was made and a vote was taken to approve announcing the positions. The discretion on when to announce the Fiscal Mgr. IV and Administrator VII would be left up to the Commissioner. It was voted to delay announcing the Asst. Dept. Personnel Director until the beginning of the fiscal year.

There was discussion about the Contract Office position (Accounting Assistant). Kathleen expressed her concern about whether an individual in this position would be qualified to do fiscal inventory.

There were 12 new positions in Substance Abuse to be considered. Kent mentioned that his entire office was being restructured. Some of the current staff would be able to qualify for the newly created positions. If the individuals were selected to fill the positions, their old positions would be abolished. After lengthy discussion, all the positions were approved.

There was a motion to adjourn until the August meeting.

Minutes submitted by:

Marilyn B. Benson

Minutes approved by



# State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

NUMBER:

60-22

SUBJECT:

Personnel/Payroll

TITLE:

Job Evaluation Committee

EFFECTIVE: 4/7/89

REVIEWED:

CHANGED: 3/5/05

RESPONSIBLE

OFFICE:

Division of Administration/Personnel

APPROVED:

#### POLICY: I.

The Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation will establish a Job Evaluation Committee to maintain its exempt classification and pay structure.

#### STANDARDS: П.

- The Committee will be responsible for making recommendations to the 1. Commissioner on the following issues:
  - Revisions to classification specifications.
  - Establishment of new job classifications. Ъ.
  - Salary range adjustments in assigned classifications. ¢.
  - Substitution of training and experience for established minimum d. qualification requirements.
- The Committee will consist of nine members. Membership shall include: 2.
  - The Department's Personnel Director who shall Chair the committee. a.
  - One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner for ь. Administration or designee.
  - One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner for Mental C.
  - One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner for Mental đ.
  - One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner of Substance €. Abuse Services.

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- One member appointed by the Commissioner for the Office of the f. Commissioner.
- The Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness Services or designee g.
- The Associate Commissioner for Mental Retardation Services or h.
- The Associate Commissioner for Substance Abuse Services or i. designee
- The job evaluation committee shall be appointed or re-appointed for two (2) 3. year terms.
- The committee shall meet at least quarterly or as necessary. . 4.
- Issues to be reviewed by the Committee will be submitted by the 5. Commissioner or by an Appointing Authority through the appropriate Associate Commissioner.
- Issues to be reviewed shall be submitted at least two (2) weeks prior to a 6. scheduled meeting.
- Minutes of the Job Evaluation Committee meeting will be distributed to the 7. Commissioner, Associate Commissioners, and Facility/Office Directors.
- Exempt Classification Pay Distribution Notices will be distributed to 8. Associate Commissioners, Facility Directors, and Facility Personnel Managers upon approval by the Commissioner.

# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTFOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JOAN FAULK OWENS and	)	
KAREN LYNN HUBBARD,	)	
	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	
v.	)	2:07-ev-650
	)	
STATE OF ALABAMA DEPT. OF	)	
MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL	)	
RETARDATION, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

# <u>DEFENDANT JOHN HOUSTON'S RESPONSES TO</u> PLAINTIFFS' FIRST CONSOLIDATED DISCOVERY

COMES NOW Defendant John Houston, by and through counsel, and responds to the Plaintiff's First Consolidated Discovery as follows:

# OBJECTIONS TO DEFINITIONS

- (B) "You" Counsel for Defendant objects to this definition as being overly broad and unduly burdensome and including descriptions of persons who could not or would not generally be considered within the definition of the word "you". The terms "agent," "experts," "witnesses at trial," "attorneys," and "people who have access to information" are all terms that are overly broad in this definition and that create a near impossibility of responding to discovery with the word "you" in that discovery as defined. The term "you" should be used in its common sense and Counsel respectfully states that any answer or response to any discovery item that contains the word "you" would include the party itself to whom the discovery is addressed and if the party to whom the discovery is addressed is the ADMH/MR, any employee of the party who could reasonably be expected to be included in that term.
- (C) "Document" and "documents" Counsel for Defendant objects to the terms "document" and "documents" as defined in item (C) in these definitions and asserts that the definition as set forth in item (C) is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This definition calls for information that is irrelevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in item (C) would call for documents that are



protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term as defined would cause this Defendant to spend such an inordinate amount of money and time and would otherwise confuse the discovery process to the extent that the discovery itself would be fundamentally flawed and unfair. The terms "electronic, photographic or mechanical means" are vague and ambiguous and numerous other terms in this definition are vague and ambiguous to the extent that compliance with the definition would become intolerably burdensome, expensive and time-consuming and the production of information subject to this definition would be overly broad and would call for information that is not discoverable. Any attempt to separate, parse out or search for "documents" using each individual term in the definition would be unduly burdensome and extraordinarily time-consuming and expensive and would cause the response to discovery to be nearly impossible. Additionally, the use of this definition would not be possible with respect to numerous requests and would put the Defendant at an unfair disadvantage in attempting to respond to the discovery as submitted using this definition.

(D) "Identify," "identity" or "identification" - (5). This Defendant objects to Definition (D)(5). There are terms in Definition (D)(5) which are ambiguous and vague and require clarification. The definition calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in (D)(5) might call for information that is subject to the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term "nature of the act" is vague and ambiguous. The term "joining in the act" is vague and ambiguous.

# OBJECTIONS TO INSTRUCTIONS

- (A) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (A) to the extent that it seeks a reason for the inability to provide a complete answer. To the best of this Defendant's ability, a complete answer will be provided, however, the term "complete" can sometimes be a subject of controversy or concerning which there is a difference of opinion or an answer may be given by the Defendant in good faith believing it is complete which must be supplemented based upon newly remembered or discovered information. This instruction is inconsistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure which considers and provides for the question of "completeness."
- (B) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (B) to the extent that it seeks supplementation up until the time a Final Judgment is rendered in the case. If information is found which would be appropriate for supplementation of a prior response, then supplementation would be made, if possible, however, there could be times when supplementation would not be possible prior to the issuance of a Final Judgment. For example, counsel should not be required to supplement in the middle of the trial of a case when time is precious, even though, of course, in many situations informal supplementation can be and to the extent possible will be provided by way of advising counsel of the substance of newly discovered

information and/or the providing of a newly found document. Nevertheless, to the extent that this instruction provides that supplementation should be made up until the time of Final Judgment, this Defendant objects.

# RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES

Interrogatory No. 1: Please identify every individual who provided any answers or assistance for your response to these Interrogatories, including the individual's address, telephone number and, if applicable, position with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

My lawyer assisted me in the process of answering by reviewing the questions with Response: me and providing a legal explanation to any questions I may have had.

Interrogatory No. 2: Please state your correct name, date of birth, social security number, driver's license number, residence address and work address.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this interrogatory to the extent it is overly Objection: broad, unduly burdensome and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Moreover, Defendant specifically objects to providing his Social Security Number and Driver's License Number in that provision of such information is or could lead to an invasion of privacy. His Social Security Number and Driver's License Number are confidential. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see Response.

My correct name is John Houston. I am currently employed by the State of Alabama, Response: Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation located at 100 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama.

Interrogatory No. 3: Please provide a summary of your educational background including the names and addresses of all schools you have attended, the dates of attendance, all degrees awarded and areas of study or major.

Please see my resumé which is being produced by my lawyers. Response:

Interrogatory No. 4: Please provide a summary of your employment history as an adult, including the names and addresses of the place of employment, the dates of employment, your immediate supervisor, and job positions held or areas of responsibility, or both.

Please see my resumé which is being produced by my lawyers. Response:

Interrogatory No. 5: Have you ever been a plaintiff or defendant in another lawsuit, whether civil, criminal, divorce, family, etc.? If so, please state the style of the case, including the court where filed, the substance of the claims, and the final outcome, if any.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope including, a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Further, any such information is a matter of public record and equally available to the plaintiffs. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see Response.

**Response:** I have been listed as a party in previous litigation due to my position as Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. It is my understanding from my attorney that any lawsuit filed is a matter of public record.

<u>Interrogatory No. 6:</u> Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 6 on the basis that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not limited in time nor scope and requests information that is equally available and in possession of plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens. Moreover, Counsel objects in that Plaintiffs have not sufficiently narrowed their definition of "incident and event". Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** To the best of my knowledge and recollection at this time, I have not had any communications with the Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens concerning the incident and events alleged in her complaint.

<u>Interrogatory No. 7:</u> Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 6 on the basis that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not limited in time nor scope and requests information that is equally available and in possession of Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard. Moreover, Counsel objects in that Plaintiffs have not sufficiently narrowed their definition of "incident and event". Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** To the best of my knowledge and recollection at this time, I did have a couple of conversations with Ms. Lynn Hubbard. I believe that one of these conversations took place before the position in question was brought before the JEC for approval. To the best of my recollection, Ms. Hubbard expressed her concerns regarding the changes generally in the substitution policy. At that time, my best recollection is that I did not understand how the issue related to her. At another point in time, she also commented that the substitution provision was being taken out of the

specifications for this job and that the job was bing developed for Marilyn. I told Lynn that this was going to be an open process; it will be fair, not predetermined.

Interrogatory No. 8: Please identify all communications between you and anyone other than Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard, concerning either Joan Owens or Karen Lynn Hubbard, or both, and the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, giving the

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 8 on the basis that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope. The Interrogatory is so broad that it is vague. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

As Commissioner for the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Response: Retardation, I am responsible for the overall operation of the Department. To carry out my duties, I often meet with various individuals on a weekly basis and attend a number of meetings wherein various topics related to the allegations made by the Plaintiffs in this case were and are discussed like substitution, creation of new exempt positions and whether certain or specific job classifications should require the person filling the job to have a Bachelor's Degree or other identifiable qualifications. I do not at this time remember "all" conversations I had regarding these things. I have listed in my response to Interrogatory Nos. 6 and 7 my recollection of specific conversations with Ms. Hubbard. Regarding conversations with other individuals, I believe that none of these topics were discussed specifically regarding Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard in connection with the job of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager or any other job. Your question, however, is very broad and the Complaint contains numerous allegations. Therefore, if you could make your question more specific, I will then attempt to make appropriate responses to that question.

I do remember speaking with Henry Ervin, June Lynn and Associate Commissioner Otha Dillihay regarding the creation and establishment of the exempt position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. As Commissioner, I have made it a priority to strengthen the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation as a whole which includes the strengthening of the Personnel Department. The organizational structure of Central Personnel and obtaining qualified employees generally, was often a topic of discussion with one or more of the above individuals. There was discussion regarding the progress that was needed in the Central Personnel Department and the need to improve the overall effectiveness of the department as well as the quality of the individuals we were hiring. None of these discussions dealt with Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard.

As Commissioner, I met with Associate Commissioner Otha Dillihay on a regular basis. We discussed numerous issues regarding the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. In Mr. Dillihay's absence, I met with June Lynn, who was appointed Temporary Associate Commissioner during Mr. Dillihay's brief assignment as the Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness. In these meetings with either Mr. Dillihay and/or Ms. Lynn, we would at times, discuss the Central Personnel Office. I do not remember specifically when the establishment and process for filling of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager's position was discussed, but I know that it was discussed. We did not speak about Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard in the context of the establishment or filling of this position. The matters we discussed related to obtaining the best person for the job. Because of remarks made by Ms. Hubbard, I did say that in no event would anyone be handpicked for this job.

Also, I weekly met with Mr. Ervin regarding the Central Personnel Office and its activities. In meetings, we discussed some of the concerns I had regarding the effectiveness of the Central Personnel Office. We discussed increasing its effectiveness. In conjunction with this goal, although I do not remember each and every specific conversation, I do know that we discussed the establishment and process for filling of the exempt position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. I do not remember specifically speaking to Mr. Ervin regarding Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard in connection with this position, but, because of remarks made by Ms. Hubbard, I did mention that in no event would anyone be handpicked for this position.

Also, the position of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager would have been discussed in the Job Evaluation Committee. I was not a member of the committee, but would at times sit in on the meetings or participate by giving opening remarks at these meetings. I do not remember being at any meeting where Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard were discussed in connection with this position. Further, I do not recall any JEC meeting that I attended where this position was discussed.

Interrogatory No. 9: Please provide a detailed list of your job responsibilities as Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation of the State of Alabama.

Please refer to Alabama Code Sections 22-50-9, 22-50-11 and 22-50-16 which lists Response: my general duties as Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Please describe in detail your meetings or communications, or both, Interrogatory No. 10: with either Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens and/or Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard, concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 10 on the basis Objection of Counsel: that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome and requests information that is equally available and in possession of plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens and Karen Lynn Hubbard. Moreover, due to the passage of time, this Defendant may not remember the date and exact subject matter of all communications with Ms. Owens and Ms. Hubbard concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** Please see my previous responses to Interrogatory Nos. 6 and 7.

Interrogatory No. 11: Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any and all Defendants concerning the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 11 because it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** Please refer to my response to Interrogatory No. 8 above regarding meetings and/or conversations that I had with any of the other Defendants in this matter regarding the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position. I did receive the specification from Mr. Ervin and approved the specification after reviewing it.

Specifically, regarding the creation and development of specifications and qualifications for this particular position, I do know that I did discuss with Mr. Ervin, Mr. Dillihay and Ms. Lynn that a Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager for an agency division, particularly one of the size and complexity as the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, should be filled by an individual with at least a Bachelor's Degree and that substitution of experience for education regarding the Bachelor's Degree should not be allowed. Further, we discussed the fact that a Master's Degree would be preferable. I was not involved in the application review process or the selection of the particular persons on the Interview Committee. I did not participate in the interviews themselves. I did recommend to both Associate Commissioner Dillihay and Henry Ervin that the interview committee should include at least one individual from Outside the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Also, after the initial advertisement, I requested that it be advertized again to a larger applicant pool and that the time period for submission of applications be extended.

Interrogatory No. 12: Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any individual not a defendant in this case, concerning the creation of the position of

Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 12 on the basis that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant to and/or admissible regarding the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** Please refer to the responses to Interrogatory Nos. 8 and 11.

<u>Interrogatory No. 13:</u> Have you ever been warned, reprimanded, disciplined or otherwise subjected to any adverse employment action for any reason? If so, please state the following:

- a. the type of adverse employment action taken, i.e., reprimand, warning, discipline, involuntary leave, etc.;
- b. the date of such action; and
- c. the reason for such action.

Objection of Counsel: Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will appropriately narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation as set forth in this objection, this Defendant will respond.

Interrogatory No. 14: Identify the factual basis for any and all defenses you have asserted in your Answer to the Complaint filed by Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this Interrogatory in that discovery has not been completed and this response cannot be fully made at this time.

<u>Interrogatory No. 15:</u> Have you ever been accused of discrimination by anyone, whether employment or race related or otherwise? If your answer is affirmative, then state the following:

- a. The name and address of the person making the accusation;
- b. The date, nature and substance of the accusation;
- c. Whether the accusation was investigated by anyone; and
- d. The results of the investigation or resolution of the accusation, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope, including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific reasonable time frame and to information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation as set forth above in this objection, this Defendant will respond.

Interrogatory No. 16: Have you ever been terminated, asked to resign or otherwise been compelled to leave (if not otherwise asked to leave) any past employment? If your answer is affirmative, please give the name of the employer and explain the basis for the termination, resignation, etc.

Objection of Counsel: Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific reasonable time frame and to information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation as set forth above in this objection, this Defendant will respond.

**Interrogatory No. 17:** State the name, address, background training and work experience, including any specialties, of each person you intend to call or may call as a witness in the trial of this case.

- a. State the substance of the testimony you expect to be given by each such witness; and
- b. State on which claim(s) or issue(s) you propose to call each such witness.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 17 because it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** Other than myself and the other defendants listed in this action, as this time, I believe the following individuals may be called as witnesses in this matter:

June Lynn
 Ms. Lynn is Executive Assistance to the Associate Commissioner for Administration,
 David Bennett. At relevant time periods to this litigation, Ms. Lynn was the

Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner of Administration, Otha Dillihay. Also, she was at one time acting Associate Commissioner for Administration of the ADMH/MR.

#### David Bennett. b.

Mr. Bennett is the Associate Commissioner for Administration of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Mr. Bennett was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Director.

#### Paul Bisbee c.

Mr. Bisbee was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR. He was the Director of the Mental Health Facilities until his retirement.

#### Susan Chambers d.

Ms. Chambers was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR. Ms. Chambers was also Facilities Director for Greil Memorial Psychiatric Hospital. She is currently Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness.

#### Charles Day e.

Mr. Day was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR. Mr. Day is currently at Bryce Hospital Adolescent Unit.

#### Jackie Graham f.

Ms. Graham was the Deputy Director of the State Personnel Department at all times relevant to the Plaintiffs' Complaint. Ms. Graham is currently the Director of the State Personnel Department.

#### Kent Hunt g.

Mr. Hunt is the Associate Commissioner of the ADMH/MR Substance Abuse Division. Mr. Hunt is a member of the ADMH/MR Job Evaluation Committee and was also a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Director.

#### Judith Johnston h.

Ms. Johnston was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee. She was Director of Mental Retardation facilities until her retirement.

#### Doug Lunsford i.

Mr. Lunsford was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Director. Mr. Lunsford is the Manager of Special Projects for the State Personnel Department.

- j. Mike Mathis Mr. Mathis is the Personnel Director for the Partlow Center in Tuscaloosa, Alabama which is a facility of the ADMH/MR. Mr. Mathis was responsible for advertising the position of Assistant Personnel Manager and responsible for evaluating applications.
- k. Eranell McIntosh-Wilson
  Ms. Wilson was the Associate Commissioner of the Division of Mental Retardation
  of the ADMH/MR. She was also a member of the Job Evaluation Committee during
  times relevant to this litigation at ADMH and was also member of the interview
  committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of of
  ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Director.

Please note that all individuals listed above are or were employees of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation or another State agency. As such, contact information has not been provided for these individuals. Any contact of the above listed individuals should be accomplished through counsel of record, Chip Nix and/or Brandy Price. Additionally, I do reserve the right to supplement this witness list as discovery in this matter is ongoing.

<u>Interrogatory No. 18:</u> If you expect to call or may call an expert witness in the trial of this case, state with respect to each such expert the following:

- a. His or her name, residence address, telephone number and employer;
- b. The subject matter to which he or she is expected to testify;
- c. The substance of the facts and opinions to which he or she is expected to testify;
- d. A summary of the grounds for each opinion;
- e. His or her education and experience or other background which you contend qualifies such person to testify as an expert witness on the matters referred to in your answers to this Interrogatory; and
- f. List all publications, speeches, presentations, articles, or similar material ever made or written by said expert or experts.

**Response:** My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and expert information in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

Interrogatory No. 19: Please identify all communications you have had with any representative of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") regarding the matter alleged in the Complaint, giving the date of the communication, the nature and substance of the

communication, and the name and telephone number of the representative(s) with whom you communicated.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 19 because it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

Response: I did not have any communications with EEOC regarding the matters alleged in the Complaint.

Interrogatory No. 20. Please identify all witnesses to any and all events alleged in the Complaint, and your defenses thereto, giving the name and the address of the witness, and the event or matter witnessed by each person identified.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 20 because it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

Response: I have previously provided a list of witnesses with knowledge and/or information relevant to the claims in Plaintiffs' Complaint through my counsel of record in the Initial Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I previously provided a list of witnesses in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

Interrogatory No. 21: Please identify all persons who you believe may have any knowledge whatsoever regarding the claims made the basis of the Complaint or your defenses thereto, or both, giving the name and address of the person and the nature or extent of his or her knowledge.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 21 because it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information

relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** I have previously provided a list of witnesses with knowledge and/or information relevant to the claims in Plaintiffs' Complaint through my counsel of record in the Initial Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I previously provided a list of witnesses in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

# RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

Request No. 1: All documents which pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 1 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for documents which are irrelevant or that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, Request No. 1 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 2: All documents which pertain to any and all events, matters and allegations made the basis of the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 2 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 2 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 3: All documents which support or reference any and all defenses asserted by you or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 3 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are

not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 3 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant. Further, numerous documents of the ADMH/MR have been produced.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 4: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 4 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 4 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

**Request No. 5:** All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference any and all events, matters and allegations made the basis of the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 5 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 5 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 6: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference any and all defenses asserted by you or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 6 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 6 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Additionally, discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant and, while this Defendant will produce documents that are not objectionable in this Defendant's possession or control that are responsive to this request, if any, this Defendant objects to producing or attempting to produce the described documents in the possession or control of any Co-Defendant.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 7: All documents which relate to or reference the creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions, or both, with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 7 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 7 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this Request calls for documents concerning the "creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions or both" which have no reference or relevance to the position in question in this case. Further, the request calls for the production of information that has no relationship to similar jobs to the one that is the subject of this case and said request has no time frame or time limitation with regard to it.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 8: All documents which relate to or reference the creation, development of specifications and filling of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 8 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 8 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this Request calls for documents concerning the "creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions or both" which have no reference or relevance to the position in question in this case. Further, the request calls for the production of information that has no relationship to similar jobs to the one that is the subject of this case and said request has no time frame or time limitation with regard to it.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, Response: and the second of the last second the transfer of none.

Any document relied upon, referred to, or identified in your Answers to Request No. 9: Interrogatories served simultaneously herewith.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 9 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 9 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing, please see my resume which has been Response: produced. I did review a number of documents, all of which I understand from Counsel have been produced.

A copy of all documents that substantiate, concern or are related to your Request No. 10: response to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 10 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 10 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Further, because of the extreme breadth of the request for documents that substantiate, concern or relate to answers a response would require overly burdensome document review by counsel.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing, please see my resume which has been Response: produced. Further, I understand a substantial number of other documents have been produced.

All documents referenced, viewed, or relied upon in any way in the Request No. 11: preparation of your answers to these Interrogatories.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 11 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 11 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Please see previous responses. Response:

Request No. 12: All documents which relate to or reference Marilyn Benson.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 12 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any documents which relate to or reference Marilyn Benson. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 13: All documents which relate to or reference Otha Dillihay.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 13 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any documents which relate to or reference Otha Dillihay. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 14: All documents which relate to or reference Henry Ervin.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 14 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would

involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any documents which relate to or reference Henry Ervin. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 15: All documents which relate to or reference any and all personnel decisions and actions you have taken concerning the Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 15 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 16: All job specifications and job opening notices regarding positions with the Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation for the past ten (10) years.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 16 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request is not limited to a reasonable time and seeks specifications that are not similar to the specifications for the job in question in this case.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 17: Your most recent resume or curriculum vitae.

**Response:** Please see my resume which has been produced.

Request No. 18: All documents submitted to or received from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 19: A copy of your file concerning the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's investigation of the matters alleged in the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 19 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. It calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible information. Additionally, this request calls for the production of material that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 20: Any and all reports, correspondence or documents which have been prepared by any person in connection with or relating to this lawsuit or the alleged incident(s) giving rise to this lawsuit.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 20 in that this request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 21: All documents reflecting communications between you and any person concerning or relating to the claims alleged in this action, including, without limitation, communications with any parties to this action, any governmental employees or agency representatives, media outlets, family members, business colleagues, your co-workers at the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, or any representatives of such persons.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 21 in that this request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that

is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any written statements taken by you, your attorneys or your investigators from Request No. 22: any and all witnesses to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 22 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any and all photographs or videotapes of any alleged incident(s) or Request No. 23: circumstances(s) giving rise to this lawsuit or relating to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 23 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Copies of any and all tape recordings, video cassette recordings or other Request No. 24: magnetic media that may contain recordings of statements or accounts made by any person, including parties, pertaining or relating in any way to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 24 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 25: Any and all documents that were referenced, viewed, identified, or relied upon in anyway in the preparation of your answers to this Discovery, or that relate to the allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 25 in that this request is duplicative. Additionally, this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request calls for information that can only be provided at the conclusion of discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see my resume which has been provided. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 26: Copies of any curriculum vitae of any expert witnesses you plan to call at the trial of this case.

**Response:** My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

Request No. 27: Copies of any and all reports rendered by any expert whom you have consulted or whom you expect to call as an expert witness at the trial of this case.

**Response:** My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

**Request No. 28:** A copy of all textbooks, journal articles, treatises, etc., being used in support of any opinions expressed in this case regarding the events, matters and allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

**Response:** My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

**Request No. 29:** A copy of all documents or other tangible items that you intend or expect to use as an exhibit at the trial of this matter.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this Request. At this time, discovery has only just begun. As such, it would be impossible to designate what exhibits I shall use at the trial of this matter at this time. A list of exhibits will be provided in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

Request No. 30: All documents from any Defendant in this case, regarding any events, matters and claims made the basis of the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant and, while this Defendant will produce documents that are not objectionable in this Defendant's possession or control that are responsive to this request, if any, this Defendant objects to producing or attempting to produce the described documents in the possession or control of any Co-Defendant.

Request No. 31: All documents which refer, relate to or pertain to your employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

**Response:** I have none personally. I do not know who keeps my personnel file.

Request No. 32: All diaries, calendars, memos or other chronologies or summaries of events, written or otherwise, maintained by you or in your possession, relating or referring to any parties and/or events, matters or claims in the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 32 in that this request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objection, none.

Request No. 33: All court orders, complaints, petitions, judgments, releases, settlement agreements, or covenants asserting, disposing of, resolving or referring to any legal claim, or potential claim, made by or against you, or on behalf of you.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 33 in it is vague and ambiguous. Additionally, the request for production seeks information concerning "any legal claim". Specifically, Counsel for Defendant objects in that the interrogatory calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible information or evidence. The question makes no reference to any specific type of discrimination or discrimination claim and does not confine the question to similar suits or

claims. Similarity is not defined in the question. Further, the use of the terms "complaint" and "claims" are vague, ambiguous and overly broad and are so broad that ostensibly even a casual or purely oral "accusation" or informal writing might qualify as an complaint or claim. It would be impossible for this Defendant to respond to such a vague, ambiguous and broad question. Additionally, the question seeks information for an infinite period of time. This is excessive and not narrowly tailored, as such it is overly broad and unduly burdensome. Additionally, this question calls for information that is protected by the attorney-client and executive privilege and by the work product exception to discoverable information. Moreover, the request seeks information that is potentially confidential. Finally, any formal lawsuit filed is a matter of public record and equally available to plaintiffs.

**Request No. 34:** All documents received by or given to you from any local, state, or federal agency, office, department or official which refer, relate or pertain to any matter set forth in the Complaint, the allegations made therein and/or your defenses thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 34 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request cannot be responded to until discovery is completed in the case.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 35: All documents which refer, relate or pertain to any and all charges, petitions, grievances, complaints or lawsuits ever filed by or against you concerning any alleged discrimination.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 35 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or relevant evidence. This request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request does not limit the production to a reasonable time and does not describe what counsel for the Plaintiffs considers similar and does not limit the request to similar complaints or lawsuits within a reasonable period of time. Further, the terms "charges, petitions and grievances" may or may not relate to purely oral matters not put in writing or may relate to matters not kept for any length of time by this Defendant. Additionally, assuming the request were limited to similar complaints or lawsuits within a reasonable time or similar charges, petitions or grievances within a reasonable time, said items could possibly exist in personnel files or in other places that would require this Defendant to make an effort to locate said items that would be unduly burdensome.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally.

Request No. 36: Please produce all of your personnel files and personnel records concerning your employment with any and all employers during the last twenty (20) years.

**Response:** I personally do not have a copy of my personnel file.

Request No. 37: Please produce your driver's license or a photocopy of same.

Objection of Counsel: Confidential.

Request No. 38: Please produce all forms, applications, questionnaires, complaints, letters, filings or other documents you completed or provided to the EEOC regarding any claim of discrimination filed by or against you, and all documents which you received from the EEOC regarding same.

Response: None.

H.E. NIX, JR (NIX007)

BRANDY F. PRICE (PRI079)

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that an exact copy of the foregoing instrument has been served (a) through the Court's e-filing system; (b) by placing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed; and/or (c) by personal/firm e-mail to

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on this the 15th day of April, 2007.

## VERIFICATION |

STATE OF ALABAMA

PERSONALLY appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, the within named John Houston, who states upon his oath that he is duly authorized to execute Responses to Plaintiff's Interrogatories, in the matter styled Joan Owens and Karen Lynn Hubbard v. State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, et al. and being 2:07-cv-650, in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division. These responses are based upon and are limited by the records and information still in existence and located in the course of preparing of these answers. Upon information and belief and subject to the limitations set forth herein, the answers are true and correct as therein stated.

This the  $1/\frac{4}{1}$  day of April , 200 8.

TO and SUBSCRIBED before me this the 200 8.

My commission expires:

## John M. Houston Commissioner, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation

### EDUCATION

Auburn University 1971

ΒA

1975 University of Alabama

(Planning/Administration) MSW

University of Alabama 1975

(Special Education/Mental Retardation) MΑ

### **EXPERIENCE**

1986-PRESENT

STATE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH/MENTAL RETARDATION

Commissioner (May 2005-Present) Responsible for the overall administration and management of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, including all state in-patient facilities and community contracted and certified programs.

# Executive Assistant to the Commissioner (1995-Present)

Responsibilities include: serving as Departmental liaison to other state and federal agencies, including representing the Commissioner on councils, boards, or interagency committees; assisting the Commissioner in managing administrative assignments to appropriate department staff; negotiation or mediation activities with other agencies or community providers; providing assistance, as needed, on legislative activities and departmental and interagency planning activities; performing various administrative assignments such as general oversight of routine transactions with other executive branch offices; and serving as contact person for the Commissioner's Office with human services agencies, juvenile and other state court personnel, families, clients, advocates, and others who have complaints or concerns related to Departmental operations or services. Typicaly responsible for handling functions of the Commissioner's Office in the absence of the Commissioner.

During this time, assisted the Associate Commissioner for Administration with a review of essential functions and staffing needs in the Central Office. Served as the Public Information Officer for the Department on a temporty basis when that position was vacated and continue to handle media contacts when needed. Assumed responsibility for coordination of administrative functions of the Office of the Associate Commissioner for Mental Retardation Services when the Associate Commissioner was assigned to Partlow during the recent consolidation of MR facilities.

Interagency responsibilities include serving as the Commissioner's proxy on the Alabama Children's Policy Council (2000-present), Department of Youth Services Board (1987-1998, 1999-present), the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board (Children's Trust Fund) (1995-present), the Alabama Child Death Review Team (2000-2003), the State Children's Services Facilitation Team (1993- present), and the Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council for Early Intervention Services (1986- present). Also served as Department's representative on the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Work Group, the Joint Legislative Committee on Children in State Care/Interagency Subcommittee, the Family and Children Training System (FACTS) and the Interagency Subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Committee on Rural Transportation.

Acting Associate Commissioner for Administration (March 1999 - June 1999)

General oversight and supervision of all organizational units of the Division of Administrative Services including Budget/Finance, Data Management, Technical Services/Certification, Personnel, and OBRA Screening. Provides assistance to the Commissioner with special projects, legislative activities, public speaking engagements, and representing the Commissioner at Executive or Legislative activities in the Commissioner's absence.

State Children Services Facilitation Team (SCSFT) (1993-Present) Appointed by the Commissioner as the DMH/MR representative of the State Children Services Facilitation Team (SCSFT). Elected to serve as Chairperson of the SCSFT in 1993-1994, 1996-1998, and 1999-2001. Responsibilities of the SCSFT include working with the Departments of Youth Services, Human Resources, Education, Public Health, Mental Health/Mental Retardation and representatives of the Association of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers regarding planning for and developing services for Multiple Needs Children (MNC) (i.e., "children requiring services from two or more agencies and at risk of out-of-home placement or movement to a more restrictive placement").

The State CSFT is responsible for developing policies and procedures for state and county SFTs, working with juvenile courts and county SFTs to plan for and coordinate services to MNC, and for securing and coordinating funding from various state and federal sources to provide needed services to these children. Responsibilities of the Chairperson include: presiding at monthly meetings of the SCSFT; providing general supervision of the State Multiple Needs Child Coordinator and SCSFT functions such as fiscal management of interagency accounts with contributions from five child-serving agencies; negotiation of collaborative interagency service and funding agreements to provide services to multiple needs children; representing the SCSFT on occasions such as collaborative planning or training activities, and in juvenile court proceedings or related activities.

Executive Assistant to Associate Commissioner/Mental Illness Division (1991-1994) In general, responsibilities in this position were very similar to those enumerated above with administrative responsibilities focused on MI Division activities and liaison responsibilities approximately equally divided between MI and Department wide concerns.

# Executive Assistant to Associate Commissioner/Administrative Division (1986-1991)

Again, responsibilities in this position were very similar to those enumerated above. I was directly involved in Divisional planning, budget preparation and management, policy development and implementation, personnel and related matters and gained a detailed knowledge of all bureaus and offices in the Administrative Division. I was responsible for managing the Administrative Division in the Associate Commissioner's absence. During this time, I also coordinated an organizational review of all units (Bureaus, Sections, and Offices) within the Administrative Division to review essential functions, staffing requirements, and organizational relationships.

### 1980-1986 Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind

Director, Sunbelt Regional Center: (1984-1986) Multi-state federally funded program providing technical assistance and fiscal management to state agencies providing services to multi-handicapped sensory impaired children. Negotiated technical assistance and service contracts with state agencies and prepared and submitted federal grant applications. Contract manager/fiscal administrator for 40+ programs in ten states. Served as liaison to program and agency finance staff in each state to assure implementation of program activities and monitor fund utilization. Utilization of federal funding increased from 72% to 98% during the first year.

Director, Student Services, E. H. Gentry Technical Facility. (1980-1984) Education/Rehabilitation facility for adult (16+) sensory impaired. Student Services Department included social services, case management, dormitory/residential programs, recreation/extended day programs and management of all student financial accounts in adult programs. Responsibilities included supervision of 20+ professional and clerical staff, program design and development, budget development and control, and grant development and management. Significant accomplishments included design and implementation of a facility wide case management system, and substantial expansion of extended day programs and recreational activities.

# 1979-1980 CETA MANAGEMENT COORDINATION PROJECT

Research Associate of a federally funded program providing technical assistance to state agencies, educational institutions regarding employment training programs. My responsibilities focused on programs serving individuals with disabilities.

# 1977-1979 CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON CO. ASSN. FOR RETARDED CITIZENS

Executive Director for private non-profit community based program providing services and advocacy for persons who are mentally retarded and for their families. Administrator/supervisor of program staff performing functions of public information/education, advocacy, individual and family counseling, crisis intervention, and emergency shelter.

# 1974 1977 BRYCE HOSPITAL, DEPARTMENT OF MH/MR

Advocate/Director of Advocacy Services for internal advocacy program for Bryce patients. This position functioned under the supervision of the Hospital Director. Investigated patient complaints and/or supervised other advocacy staff in investigation of complaints regarding alleged abuse or other patient or family concerns; prepared reports of incident investigation and/or program review activities; developed data base of patient complaints and concerns and conducted analysis of issues by program area.

# 1971 1973 MENTAL RETARDATION SERVICES OF AL/UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

Advocate/Coordinator of Advocacy for clients in 60 bed residential MR program on campus of the University of Alabama. Clients were residents of Partiow. Investigated patient complaints and/or supervised other advocacy staff in investigation of complaints regarding alleged abuse or other patient or family concerns; performed program review activities; monitored caseload of individual client program plans.

References furnished upon request.

# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JOAN FAULK OWENS and	)	
KAREN LYNN HUBBARD,	)	
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Plaintiffs,	)	
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v.	)	2:07-cv-650
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STATE OF ALABAMA DEPT. OF	)	
MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL	)	
RETARDATION, et al.,	)	
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Defendants.	)	

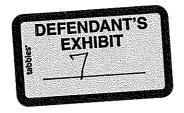
## <u>DEFENDANT OTHA DILLIHAY'S RESPONSES TO</u> PLAINTIFFS' FIRST CONSOLIDATED DISCOVERY

COMES NOW Defendant Otha Dillihay, by and through counsel, and responds to the

Plaintiff's First Consolidated Discovery as follows:

# OBJECTIONS TO DEFINITIONS

- (B) "You" Counsel for Defendant objects to this definition as being overly broad and unduly burdensome and including descriptions of persons who could not or would not generally be considered within the definition of the word "you". The terms "agent," "experts," "witnesses at trial," "attorneys," and "people who have access to information" are all terms that are overly broad in this definition and that create a near impossibility of responding to discovery with the word "you" in that discovery as defined. The term "you" should be used in its common sense and Counsel respectfully states that any answer or response to any discovery item that contains the word "you" would include the party itself to whom the discovery is addressed and if the party to whom the discovery is addressed is the ADMH/MR, any employee of the party who could reasonably be expected to be included in that term.
- (C) "Document" and "documents" Counsel for Defendant objects to the terms "document" and "documents" as defined in item (C) in these definitions and asserts that the definition as set forth in item (C) is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This definition calls for information that is irrelevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in item (C) would call for documents that are



protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term as defined would cause this Defendant to spend such an inordinate amount of money and time and would otherwise confuse the discovery process to the extent that the discovery itself would be fundamentally flawed and unfair. The terms "electronic, photographic or mechanical means" are vague and ambiguous and numerous other terms in this definition are vague and ambiguous to the extent that compliance with the definition would become intolerably burdensome, expensive and time-consuming and the production of information subject to this definition would be overly broad and would call for information that is not discoverable. Any attempt to separate, parse out or search for "documents" using each individual term in the definition would be unduly burdensome and extraordinarily time-consuming and expensive and would cause the response to discovery to be nearly impossible. Additionally, the use of this definition would not be possible with respect to numerous requests and would put the Defendant at an unfair disadvantage in attempting to respond to the discovery as submitted using this definition.

(D) "Identify," "identity" or "identification" - (5). This Defendant objects to Definition (D)(5). There are terms in Definition (D)(5) which are ambiguous and vague and require clarification. The definition calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in (D)(5) might call for information that is subject to the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term "nature of the act" is vague and ambiguous. The term "joining in the act" is vague and ambiguous.

# OBJECTIONS TO INSTRUCTIONS

- (A) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (A) to the extent that it seeks a reason for the inability to provide a complete answer. To the best of this Defendant's ability, a complete answer will be provided, however, the term "complete" can sometimes be a subject of controversy or concerning which there is a difference of opinion or an answer may be given by the Defendant in good faith believing it is complete which must be supplemented based upon newly remembered or discovered information. This instruction is inconsistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure which considers and provides for the question of "completeness."
- (B) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (B) to the extent that it seeks supplementation up until the time a Final Judgment is rendered in the case. If information is found which would be appropriate for supplementation of a prior response, then supplementation would be made, if possible, however, there could be times when supplementation would not be possible prior to the issuance of a Final Judgment. For example, counsel should not be required to supplement in the middle of the trial of a case when time is precious, even though, of course, in many situations informal supplementation can be and to the extent possible will be provided by way of advising counsel of the substance of newly discovered

information and/or the providing of a newly found document. Nevertheless, to the extent that this instruction provides that supplementation should be made up until the time of Final Judgment, this Defendant objects.

### RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES

Please identify every individual who provided any answers or Interrogatory No. 1: assistance for your response to these Interrogatories, including the individual's address, telephone number and, if applicable, position with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

My lawyer assisted me in the process of answering by reviewing the questions with Response: me and providing legal explanation to any questions I may have had.

Please state your correct name, date of birth, social security number, Interrogatory No. 2: driver's license number, residence address and work address.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this interrogatory to the extent **Objection of Counsel:** it is overly broad, unduly burdensome and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Moreover, Defendant specifically objects to providing his Social Security Number and Driver's License Number in that provision of such information is or could lead to an invasion of privacy. My Social Security Number and Driver's License Number are confidential. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see Response.

Subject to the foregoing objections, my correct name is Otha R. Dillihay, Sr., my current address is 210 Hamptons Grant Court, Columbia, South Carolina. I am currently employed by the Richland County, South Carolina School District as their Human Resource Director.

Interrogatory No. 3: Please provide a summary of your educational background including the names and addresses of all schools you have attended, the dates of attendance, all degrees awarded and areas of study or major.

Please see my resume which is being produced by my lawyers. Response:

Interrogatory No. 4: Please provide a summary of your employment history as an adult, including the names and addresses of the place of employment, the dates of employment, your immediate supervisor, and job positions held or areas of responsibility, or both.

Please see my resume. Please also see the following: Response:

> April 2007 to August 2007 Program / Policy Analyst Consultant D.C. Government Department on Disabilities Services

### Washington, D.C.

Responsible for directing and coordinating projects and work functions on behalf of the Director; developing special projects and programs for the purpose of improving agency program operation and services to customers; identifying actual or potential problem areas and developing corrective actions to remedy deficiencies in program areas; acting as a liaison between the Director, agency management and human resource staff; and providing training technical assistance, and guidance in operations, information systems, policy and budgetary preparations.

### June 2004 - April 2007

Associate Commissioner, Division of Administration Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Montgomery, Alabama

I was responsible for the management and supervision of a division which included finance, Medicaid administration, human resources, information technology, contracts, staff development and training, residential facility licensing and certification and real estate.

### January 2001 - January 2004

Director, Board of Directors Palmetto Health Alliance Corporate Office Taylor and Sumter Streets Columbia, South Carolina

I was responsible for developing policy for the hospital system in the area of corporate and audit compliance; leading the strategic planning efforts for the Board and participating as a member of the Executive Compensation, finance and Community Services Committees.

### August 1999 - March 2003

Deputy Director for Administration South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina

I directed an administrative infrastructure to support the agency's mission and ensure accountability. I was responsible for setting administrative policy and efficiently managed administrative systems including: budget, finance, medicaid, administration, contracts, grants administration, engineering, physical plant and support service, finance, information resource technology and human resources. I was responsible for managing the oversight, design and construction of three evaluation centers and two school projects. I was also responsible for managing the agency's \$100 million dollar budget and developed the agency's HIPAA and corporate compliance programs. I also served as the agency's legislative liaison to the South Carolina legislature.

November 1994 - August 1999 Hospital Administrator South Carolina Department of Mental Health 2414 Bull Street Columbia, SC

> In my capacity as Hospital Administrator, I was responsible for the management and operation for a 288-bed psychiatric hospital and a 166-bed medical/surgical hospital. In my capacity as Hospital Administrator, I was responsible for redesigning the hospitals JCAHO, HIPAA, and corporate compliance programs. I also directed the hospital's licensure, Medicare, and Medicaid surveys, and led efforts to close warehouse operations and convert the delivery system for hospital supplies.

November 1993 - October 1994

Director of Hospital Mortgage Insurance U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 7th Street Washington, D.C.

In my capacity as Director of Hospital Mortgage Insurance I was responsible for developing new agency policy and directing the activities for a broad insurance program for hospitals and other health care facilities.

January 1990 - November 1993 Business Manager/Chief Financial Officer

Crafts-Farrow State Hospital 4900 Farrow Road Columbia, SC

I was responsible for managing the business office and serving as assistant hospital administrator for a 600-bed hospital. Also, I managed the construction for new inpatient unit.

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Executive Assistant to the State Commissioner South Carolina Department of Mental Health Columbia, SC

August 1988 - December 1989 Project Coordinator/ Director to Continuity of Care G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital Columbia, SC

> In my responsibilities as Project Coordinator/Director of Continuity Care I was responsible for developing a patient management system for the hospital and to improve service delivery.

Interrogatory No. 5: Have you ever been a plaintiff or defendant in another lawsuit, whether civil, criminal, divorce, family, etc.? If so, please state the style of the case, including the court where filed, the substance of the claims, and the final outcome, if any.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is Objection of Counsel: overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 6: Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

To the best of my knowledge and recollection at this time, I have not had any communications with the Plaintiff Joan Owens concerning the incident and events alleged in her Complaint.

Interrogatory No. 7: Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

To the best of my knowledge and recollection at this time, I have not had any Response: communications with the Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard concerning the incident and events that are the basis of her Complaint.

<u>Interrogatory No. 8:</u> Please identify all communications between you and anyone other than Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard, concerning either Joan Owens or Karen Lynn Hubbard, or both, and the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, giving the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 8 on the basis that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope. The Interrogatory is so broad that it is vague. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

Response: As Assistant Commissioner for Administration of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, I was involved in and generally served on a number of committees and attended meetings wherein topics like substitution, creation of new exempt positions and the value of having obtained a Bachelor's Degree for persons serving in certain jobs were discussed. I do not at this time remember "all" conversations I had regarding these things. I believe that none of these topics were discussed specifically regarding Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard in connection with the job of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager or any other job for that matter. Your question is broad and your Complaint contains many allegations. Therefore, if you could make the question more specific, I will make appropriate responses to the question.

I do remember that I spoke with Henry Ervin, June Lynn and Commissioner John Houston regarding creation and establishment of the exempt position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. The organizational structure of the Central Personnel Department was a topic of discussion with one or more of the above. There was discussion about progress needed in the Central Personnel Department. Both Commissioners, Kathy Sawyer and John Houston, raised the need to improve the overall effectiveness of the Central Personnel Department. I believe that none of these discussions dealt with Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard.

In my duties as Associate Commissioner for Administration, I routinely met with Mr. Ervin regarding the organization and functioning of the Central Personnel Department. In our many meetings, we at times, discussed the strategic planning element of the Personnel Department and the needs of the Department as well as the staff's ability to meet those needs. I do not remember specifically when the creation, establishment and filling of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager's position was discussed in our many meetings although this was discussed in conjunction with the general structure that was at that time in place in the Personnel Department. It is possible we discussed each person working in Personnel, including Ms. Owens and Ms. Hubbard in conjunction with the overall structure and efficiency of the Personnel Department, but I have no recollection at this time of discussing either Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard in conjunction with the issues raised in their Complaint.

During my tenure as Associate Commissioner, my Assistant was June Lynn. Although, I do not specifically remember each and every conversation I had with Ms. Lynn regarding the Personnel Department, I do recall that we did speak regarding the Department. I have no recollection at this time of speaking with her about Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard regarding the matters alleged in the Complaint.

Additionally, I routinely met with Commissioner Houston in my duties as Associate Commissioner. As I indicated earlier, we generally discussed the need to increase the effectiveness of the Personnel Department. Although I do not remember each and every specific conversation with Commission Houston, I do know that we discussed the creation, establishment and filling of the exempt position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager. To the best of my recollection at this time, I do not recall speaking to him about Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard in connection with this position or regarding any other matter that they raise in their Complaint.

Additionally, the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, as well as the substitution policy and requirements for degrees, were discussed in Job Evaluation Committee meetings. I was a member of the JEC. In JEC meetings, many topics like substitution, college degrees and matters of this type were discussed, but I do not recall discussing Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard regarding these things in these meetings. These issues were discussed in relation to serving the best interests of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and, thereby, to serving the best interests of the Department's patients and the people of the State. At this time I cannot recall other topics of note or other persons I spoke with, but if I do remember any, I will advise my lawyer so he may take whatever action is appropriate.

Interrogatory No. 9: Please provide a detailed list of your job responsibilities as Associate Commissioner of Administration of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation of the State of Alabama.

In a general sense, my job responsibilities as Associate Commissioner were as Response: follows:

- Develops, plans, implements, and directs functions of the Administrative Service a. Division.
- Directs, supervises, and evaluates division and bureau staff. b.
- Prepares division's budget. c.
- Administers and monitors division's budget. d.
- Monitors and ensures department/divisional compliance with applicable laws. e.
- Develops, implements and ensures compliance with policies and procedures. f.
- Interfaces with other state and federal agencies. g.
- Advises the Commissioner so that maximum resources, services, and information are h. provided.
- Conducts, attends and participates in divisional and staff committees, etc. i.

j. Manages and coordinates divisional/departmental functions related to performance based budget.

Interrogatory No. 10: Please describe in detail your meetings or communications, or both, with either Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens and/or Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard, concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard thereto.

**Response:** To the best of my recollection at this time, I did not have any meetings or communications with either Ms. Joan Faulk Owens or Ms. Karen Lynn Hubbard concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager or any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard.

Interrogatory No. 11: Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any and all Defendants concerning the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 11 on the basis it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

Response: My lawyer has advised me that my responses to this question should not include privileged information. Therefore, following my lawyer's instructions, I have made these answers. Please refer to my response to Interrogatory No. 8 above regarding meetings and/or conversations, including telephone conversations, that I had with any of the other Defendants in this matter regarding the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position. I believe I did receive the specification draft from Henry Ervin. I may have reviewed more than one draft. I would have made comments back to Henry Ervin, but at this time, I do not recall the specifics of the comments. I approved the specification when Mr. Ervin completed it.

Specifically regarding the creation and development of specifications of the position, I do know that I did discuss with Mr. Ervin, Commissioner Houston and June Lynn that an Assistant Manager position for any agency division, particularly in an agency the complexity and size of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, should be filled by an individual with a Bachelor's Degree, but that a Master's Degree would be preferred. I was not involved in the application review process, the selection of the Interview Committee or the interviews themselves,

although I did recommend in general with both Commissioner Houston and Henry Ervin that the interview committee should contain an individual from outside the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Interrogatory No. 12: Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any individual not a defendant in this case, concerning the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 12 on the basis it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** Please refer to my responses to Interrogatories Nos. 8 and 11 which are incorporated herein by reference.

Interrogatory No. 13: Have you ever been warned, reprimanded, disciplined or otherwise subjected to any adverse employment action for any reason? If so, please state the following:

- a. the type of adverse employment action taken, i.e., reprimand, warning, discipline, involuntary leave, etc.;
- b. the date of such action; and
- c. the reason for such action.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 14: Identify the factual basis for any and all defenses you have asserted in your Answer to the Complaint filed by Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel objects to this Interrogatory in that discovery has not been completed and this response cannot be fully made at this time.

Interrogatory No. 15: Have you ever been accused of discrimination by anyone, whether employment or race related or otherwise? If your answer is affirmative, then state the following:

- a. The name and address of the person making the accusation;
- b. The date, nature and substance of the accusation;
- c. Whether the accusation was investigated by anyone; and
- d. The results of the investigation or resolution of the accusation, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 16: Have you ever been terminated, asked to resign or otherwise been compelled to leave (if not otherwise asked to leave) any past employment? If your answer is affirmative, please give the name of the employer and explain the basis for the termination, resignation, etc.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 17: State the name, address, background training and work experience, including any specialties, of each person you intend to call or may call as a witness in the trial of this case.

- a. State the substance of the testimony you expect to be given by each such witness; and
- b. State on which claim(s) or issue(s) you propose to call each such witness.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 17 because it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege

and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

Other than myself and the other defendants listed in this action, I believe the Response: following individuals may be called as witnesses in this matter:

#### a. June Lynn

Ms. Lynn is Executive Assistance to the Associate Commissioner for Administration, David Bennett. At relevant time periods to this litigation, Ms. Lynn was the Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner of Administration Otha Dillihay. Also, she was at one time acting Associate Commissioner for Administration of the ADMH/MR. Ms. Lynn is an attorney and, in my view, her role at ADMH/MR while working with me included rendering legal advice to the Associate Commissioner of Administration. Therefore, some of Ms. Lynn's knowledge may fall within the scope of various privileges, including, without limitation, the attorney client and work product privileges and potentially others. These privileges are not waived by listing Ms. Lynn as a potential witness herein but to the contrary, these privileges are specifically reserved.

#### David Bennett. b.

Mr. Bennett is the Associate Commissioner for Administration of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Mr. Bennett was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

#### Paul Bisbee c.

Mr. Bisbee was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR.

#### Susan Chambers d.

Ms. Chambers was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR. Ms. Chambers was also Facilities Director for Greil Memorial Psychiatric Hospital.

#### Charles Day e.

Mr. Day was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR.

#### f. Jackie Graham

Ms. Graham was the Deputy Director of the State Personnel Department.

#### Kent Hunt g.

Mr. Hunt is the Associate Commissioner of the ADMH/MR Substance Abuse Division. Mr. Hunt is a member of the ADMH/MR Job Evaluation Committee and was also a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

- h. Judith Johnston

  Ms. Johnston was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee.
- Doug Lunsford
   Mr. Lunsford was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and
   interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Departmental Assistant
   Personnel Manager. Mr. Lunsford is the Manager of Special Projects for the State
   Personnel
   Department.
- j. Mike Mathis Mr. Mathis is the Personnel Director for the Partlow Center in Tuscaloosa, Alabama which is a facility of the ADMH/MR. Mr. Mathis was responsible for advertising the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager and responsible for evaluating applications.
- k. Eranell McIntosh-Wilson
  Ms. Wilson was the Associate Commissioner of the Division of Mental Retardation
  of the ADMH/MR. She was also a member of the Job Evaluation Committee at
  ADMH and was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed
  candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Departmental Assistant Personnel
  Manager.

Please note that all individuals listed above are employees of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation or another State agency. As such, contact information has not been provided for these individuals. Any contact of the above listed individuals should be done through my counsel of record, Chip Nix and/or Brandy Price. Additionally, I do reserve the right to supplement this witness list as discovery in this matter is ongoing.

<u>Interrogatory No. 18:</u> If you expect to call or may call an expert witness in the trial of this case, state with respect to each such expert the following:

- a. His or her name, residence address, telephone number and employer;
- b. The subject matter to which he or she is expected to testify;
- c. The substance of the facts and opinions to which he or she is expected to testify;
- d. A summary of the grounds for each opinion;
- e. His or her education and experience or other background which you contend qualifies such person to testify as an expert witness on the matters referred to in your answers to this Interrogatory; and

List all publications, speeches, presentations, articles, or similar material ever made f. or written by said expert or experts.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Response: Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

Please identify all communications you have had with any Interrogatory No. 19: representative of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") regarding the matter alleged in the Complaint, giving the date of the communication, the nature and substance of the communication, and the name and telephone number of the representative(s) with whom you communicated.

I have not personally had any communications with anyone at the EEOC. Response:

Please identify all witnesses to any and all events alleged in the Interrogatory No. 20. Complaint, and your defenses thereto, giving the name and the address of the witness, and the event or matter witnessed by each person identified.

I have previously provided a list of witnesses through my counsel of record in the Response: Initial Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I provided information in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

Please identify all persons who you believe may have any knowledge **Interrogatory No. 21:** whatsoever regarding the claims made the basis of the Complaint or your defenses thereto, or both, giving the name and address of the person and the nature or extent of his or her knowledge.

I have previously provided list of witnesses through my counsel of record in the Initial Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I previously provided a list of witnesses in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

# RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

General Response: I am no longer an employee of the ADMH/MR. I have no documents responsive to these requests.

All documents which pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, Request No. 1: or both.

Response: None.

All documents which pertain to any and all events, matters and allegations Request No. 2: made the basis of the Complaint.

None. Response:

All documents which support or reference any and all defenses asserted by Request No. 3: you or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

None. Response:

All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which Request No. 4: pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, or both.

Response: None.

All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which Request No. 5: pertain to or reference any and all events, matters and allegations made the basis of the Complaint.

None. Response:

All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which Request No. 6: pertain to or reference any and all defenses asserted by your or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

Response: None.

All documents which relate to or reference the creation and development of Request No. 7: specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions, or both, with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Response: None.

All documents which relate to or reference the creation, development of Request No. 8: specifications and filling of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Response: None.

Any document relied upon, referred to, or identified in your Answers to Request No. 9: Interrogatories served simultaneously herewith.

Response: None.

A copy of all documents that substantiate, concern or are related to your Request No. 10: response to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories.

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Response: None.

Request No. 11: All documents referenced, viewed, or relied upon in any way in the preparation of your answers to these Interrogatories.

Response: None.

Request No. 12: All documents which relate to or reference Marilyn Benson.

Response: None.

Request No. 13: All documents which relate to or reference Henry Ervin.

Response: None.

Request No. 14: All documents which relate to or reference John Houston.

Response: None.

Request No. 15: All documents which relate to or reference any and all personnel decisions and actions you have taken concerning the Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Response: None.

Request No. 16: All job specifications and job opening notices regarding positions with the Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation [for] the past ten (10) years.

Response: None.

Request No. 17: Your most recent resume or curriculum vitae.

**Response:** See my personnel file.

Request No. 18: All documents submitted to or received from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Response: None.

Request No. 19: A copy of your file concerning the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's investigation of the matters alleged in the Complaint.

Response: None.

Any and all reports, correspondence or documents which have been prepared Request No. 20: by any person in connection with or relating to this lawsuit or the alleged incident(s) giving rise to this lawsuit.

**Objection of Counsel:** Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it calls for the production of privileged documents. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objection, please see the response.

Response: None.

All documents reflecting communications between you and any person Request No. 21: concerning or relating to the claims alleged in this action, including, without limitation, communications with any parties to this action, any governmental employees or agency representatives, media outlets, family members, business colleagues, your co-workers at the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, or any representatives of such persons.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this Request in that it calls for the production of privileged documents. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objection, please see the response.

Response: None.

Any written statements taken by you, your attorneys or your investigators from Request No. 22: any and all witnesses to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

**Objection of Counsel:** Counsel for Defendant objects to this Request in that it calls for the production of privileged documents. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objection, please see the response.

None. Response:

Any and all photographs or videotapes of any alleged incident(s) or Request No. 23: circumstances(s) giving rise to this lawsuit or relating to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Response: None.

Copies of any and all tape recordings, video cassette recordings or other Request No. 24: magnetic media that may contain recordings of statements or accounts made by any person, including parties, pertaining or relating in any way to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Response: None.

Any and all documents that were referenced, viewed, identified, or relied upon in anyway in the preparation of your answers to this Discovery, or that relate to the allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

Response: None.

Copies of any curriculum vitae of any expert witnesses you plan to call at the Request No. 26: trial of this case.

None. Response:

Copies of any and all reports rendered by any expert whom you have consulted Request No. 27: or whom you expect to call as an expert witness at the trial of this case.

Response: None.

A copy of all textbooks, journal articles, treatises, etc., being used in support Request No. 28: of any opinions expressed in this case regarding the events, matters and allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

None. Response:

A copy of all documents or other tangible items that you intend or expect to Request No. 29: use as an exhibit at the trial of this matter.

None. Response:

All documents from any Defendant in this case, regarding any events, matters Request No. 30: and claims made the basis of the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

None. Response:

All documents which refer, relate to or pertain to your employment with the Request No. 31: Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

None. Response:

All diaries, calendars, memos or other chronologies or summaries of events, Request No. 32: written or otherwise, maintained by you or in your possession, relating or referring to any parties and/or events, matters or claims in the Complaint.

Response: None.

All court orders, complaints, petitions, judgments, releases, settlement Request No. 33: agreements, or covenants asserting, disposing of, resolving or referring to any legal claim, or potential claim, made by or against you, or on behalf of you.

Response: None.

All documents received by or given to you from any local, state, or federal Request No. 34: agency, office, department or official which refer, relate or pertain to any matter set forth in the Complaint, the allegations made therein and/or your defenses thereto.

Response: None.

Request No. 35: All documents which refer, relate or pertain to any and all charges, petitions, grievances, complaints or lawsuits ever filed by or against you concerning any alleged discrimination.

Response: None.

Please produce all of your personnel files and personnel records concerning Request No. 36: your employment with any and all employers during the last twenty (20) years.

Response: None.

Please produce your driver's license or a photocopy of same. Request No. 37:

**Objection of Counsel:** Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks Confidential information.

Please produce all forms, applications, questionnaires, complaints, letters, Request No. 38: filings or other documents you completed or provided to the EEOC regarding any claim of discrimination filed by or against you, and all documents which you received from the EEOC regarding same.

None. Response:

> H.E. NIX. JR. (NIX007) BRANDY F. PRICE (PRI079)

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that an exact copy of the foregoing instrument has been served (a) through the Court's e-filing system; (b) by placing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed; and/or (c) by personal/firm e-mail to

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Bureau of Legal Services
ADMH/MR
RSA Union Building
100 N. Union Street
Montgomery, AL 36130-1410

on this the day of

2007

OF COUNSEL

### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF South Caroline COUNTY OF ________

PERSONALLY appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, the within named Otha Dillihay, who states upon his oath that he is duly authorized to execute Responses to Plaintiff's Interrogatories, in the matter styled Joan Owens and Karen Lynn Hubbard v. State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, et al., and being 2:07-cv-650, in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division. These responses are based upon and are limited by the records and information still in existence and located in the course of preparing of these answers. Upon information and belief and subject to the limitations set forth herein, the answers are true and correct as therein stated.

This the day of March-

Otha Dillihay

and SUBSCRIBED before me this the 2008.

- accepted for the form

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/ly commission expires:

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

2007 to Present

Program/Policy Analyst Consultant, DC Government Department on Disabilities Services Washington, DC

Direct and coordinate Human Resource and Information Technology projects and work functions on behalf of the Director. Develop special projects and programs for the purpose of improving agency program operation, and services to customers. Identifies actual or potential problems areas and develops corrective actions to remedy deficiencies in program areas. Provide extensive liaison responsibilities between the Director, agency management and human resources staff. Assist in providing technical assistance and guidance in operations, policy and budgetary preparations.

2004 to 2007

Associate Commissioner, Division of Administration Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Montgomery, Alabama

Responsible for all aspects of administration, finance, Medicaid administration, human resources information technology, certification and support for a state agency that provides mental health services through a statewide delivery system. Develop administrative policy and provide management and oversight of contracts for community-based services, residential care, facility physical plant maintenance and support, child and adolescent programs and educational and treatment services. The agency employs approximately 3000 individuals and has a budget of \$700 million dollars. Responsibilities include dealing effectively with boards and commissions, community based advocacy groups, organized labor, state, federal and local governments. Supervise the Departments of Finance, procurement Human Resources, Staff Development and Training, Information Systems, Certification, Contract Administration, and Capital improvement. I am knowledgeable of all federal and state regulations governing the operations of health facilities and of the JCAHO and CARF accreditation process.

2001 to 2004

Director, Board of Directors Palmetto Health Alliance Columbia, South Carolina

Developed policy and directed the strategic planning, corporate and audit compliance for the largest hospital system in South Carolina. Member of the Executive Compensation, Finance and Community Services Committees.

1999 to 2003

Deputy Director for Administration, SC Dept. of Juvenile Justice Columbia, South Carolina

Responsible for the efficient management and supervision of all Department of Juvenile Justice's administrative systems including:
Budget, Finance, Medicaid, Administration, Contracts, Grants
Administration, Engineering Physical Plant and Support Services, Finance,
Information Resource Technology, and Human Resources.
I directed an administrative infrastructure to support the agency's mission to ensure accountability. I also managed the agency's \$100 million budget and \$13 million Medicaid Program. Directed the agency's HIPAA compliance program and served as agency's legislative liaison.

1994 - 1999

Hospital Administrator South Carolina Department of Mental Health Columbia, South Carolina

Chief Operating Officer for a 288 bed psychiatric hospital and a 166 bed medical/surgical hospital. Supervised the following departments: Budget/Finance, Human Resources Medicaid Administration, Health Information Services, Outpatient Clinics, Supply and Services, Safety/Risk Management, Computer Services. Directed the hospitals' JCAHO, HIPAA and corporate compliance programs.

1993 - 1994

Director Hospital Mortgage Insurance Staff U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C.

Developed policy and directed the activities for a bond insurance program for hospitals and other health care facilities. Responsible for the management of a five billion dollar bond portfolio for the US government. Bonds issued under the program enabled the construction or renovation for health care facilities in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

1990 - 1993

Business Manager/Chief Financial Officer Crafts-Farrow State Hospital Columbia, South Carolina

1991

Executive Assistant to the State Commissioner South Carolina Department of Mental Health Columbia, South Carolina

1988 - 1989

Project Coordinator/Director Continuity of Care
G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital Columbia, South Carolina.

### **EDUCATION**

Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri, 1990 Masters Degree Business Administration

South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, South Carolina, 1988 Bachelor of Science Degree Business Administration

University of South Carolina School of Law, 1983-1985 Columbia, South Carolina

Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia, 1975 **Economics** 

### LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Leadership South Carolina, 2003 University of South Carolina

South Carolina Executive Institute, 2001 South Carolina Budget and Control Board

Executive Leadership Institute, National Forum for Public Administrators, 1992 Harvard University

# BOARD SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Director, Board of Directors, Palmetto Health Alliance, 2000-2004
- Trustee, Board of Trustees, Richland Memorial Hospital, 1999-2004
- Director, Board of Directors, Hospital Services Industries, Inc., 2000-2004
- Director, Board of Directors, South Carolina Cancer Center, 2002-2004
- Director, Board of Directors Mental Illness Recovery Center 1999 -2004
- Major, South Carolina State Guard, HQ, First Brigade 2005 -present
- Vice President, Board of Directors South Carolina Executive Institute Alumni Association.
- Director, Board of Directors South Carolina Deputy Directors Organization, 2002-2004.

### HONORS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Licensed Pilot, (Federal Aviation Administration)
- Graduate, South Carolina Executive Institute
- Graduate, Executive Leadership Institute (Harvard University)
- Graduate, Leadership South Carolina (University of South Carolina)
- Graduate, Facility Design and Construction (U.S. Department of Justice)
- Graduate, Project Blueprint Leadership Forum (United Way of America)
- Honorable Order of Arkansas Travelers
- Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels
- President, Hand Educational Foundation
- Member, President's Cancer Panel, National Institute of Health
- Certified Rational Behavior Therapist

### **Hobbies**

Aviation, Golf, Coin Collecting.

# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

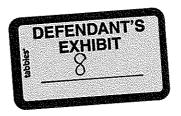
JOAN FAULK OWENS and	)	
KAREN LYNN HUBBARD,	)	
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Plaintiffs,	)	
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<b>v.</b>	)	2:07-cv-650
	)	
STATE OF ALABAMA DEPT. OF	)	
MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL	)	
RETARDATION, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

# <u>DEFENDANT HENRY ERVIN'S RESPONSES TO</u> PLAINTIFFS' FIRST CONSOLIDATED DISCOVERY

COMES NOW Defendant Henry Ervin, by and through counsel, and responds to the Plaintiff's First Consolidated Discovery as follows:

# OBJECTIONS TO DEFINITIONS

- (B) "You" Counsel for Defendant objects to this definition as being overly broad and unduly burdensome and including descriptions of persons who could not or would not generally be considered within the definition of the word "you". The terms "agent," "experts," "witnesses at trial," "attorneys," and "people who have access to information" are all terms that are overly broad in this definition and that create a near impossibility of responding to discovery with the word "you" in that discovery as defined. The term "you" should be used in its common sense and Counsel respectfully states that any answer or response to any discovery item that contains the word "you" would include the party itself to whom the discovery is addressed and if the party to whom the discovery is addressed is the ADMH/MR, any employee of the party who could reasonably be expected to be included in that term.
- (C) "Document" and "documents" Counsel for Defendant objects to the terms "document" and "documents" as defined in item (C) in these definitions and asserts that the definition as set forth in item (C) is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This definition calls for information that is irrelevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in item (C) would call for documents that are



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protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term as defined would cause this Defendant to spend such an inordinate amount of money and time and would otherwise confuse the discovery process to the extent that the discovery itself would be fundamentally flawed and unfair. The terms "electronic, photographic or mechanical means" are vague and ambiguous and numerous other terms in this definition are vague and ambiguous to the extent that compliance with the definition would become intolerably burdensome, expensive and time-consuming and the production of information subject to this definition would be overly broad and would call for information that is not discoverable. Any attempt to separate, parse out or search for "documents" using each individual term in the definition would be unduly burdensome and extraordinarily time-consuming and expensive and would cause the response to discovery to be nearly impossible. Additionally, the use of this definition would not be possible with respect to numerous requests and would put the Defendant at an unfair disadvantage in attempting to respond to the discovery as submitted using this definition.

(D) "Identify," "identity" or "identification" - (5). This Defendant objects to Definition (D)(5). There are terms in Definition (D)(5) which are ambiguous and vague and require clarification. The definition calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in (D)(5) might call for information that is subject to the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term "nature of the act" is vague and ambiguous. The term "joining in the act" is vague and ambiguous.

# OBJECTIONS TO INSTRUCTIONS

- (A) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (A) to the extent that it seeks a reason for the inability to provide a complete answer. To the best of this Defendant's ability, a complete answer will be provided, however, the term "complete" can sometimes be a subject of controversy or concerning which there is a difference of opinion or an answer may be given by the Defendant in good faith believing it is complete which must be supplemented based upon newly remembered or discovered information. This instruction is inconsistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure which considers and provides for the question of "completeness."
- (B) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (B) to the extent that it seeks supplementation up until the time a Final Judgment is rendered in the case. If information is found which would be appropriate for supplementation of a prior response, then supplementation would be made, if possible, however, there could be times when supplementation would not be possible prior to the issuance of a Final Judgment. For example, counsel should not be required to supplement in the middle of the trial of a case when time is precious, even though, of course, in many situations informal supplementation can be and to the extent possible will be provided by way of advising counsel of the substance of newly discovered

information and/or the providing of a newly found document. Nevertheless, to the extent that this instruction provides that supplementation should be made up until the time of Final Judgment, this Defendant objects.

# RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES

Interrogatory No. 1: Please identify every individual who provided any answers or assistance for your response to these Interrogatories, including the individual's address, telephone number and, if applicable, position with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

My lawyer assisted me in the process of answering by reviewing the questions with Response: me and providing legal explanation to any questions I may have had.

Interrogatory No. 2: Please state your correct name, date of birth, social security number, driver's license number, residence address and work address.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this interrogatory to the extent Objection of Counsel: it is overly broad, unduly burdensome and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Moreover, Defendant specifically objects to providing his Social Security Number and Driver's License Number in that provision of such information is or could lead to an invasion of privacy. My Social Security Number and Driver's License Number are confidential. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see Response.

My name is Henry Earl Ervin. My date of birth is December 27, 1944. My current Response: address is 1600 Wakefield Drive, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405. I currently work at the Alabama Department of Mental Health located at 100 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama.

Interrogatory No. 3: Please provide a summary of your educational background including the names and addresses of all schools you have attended, the dates of attendance, all degrees awarded and areas of study or major.

### Response:

- I attended Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama from September 1963 a. until November 1964 where I focused on the area of social sciences. I did not receive a degree from Stillman College.
- I attended Alabama State University from January 1968 until May 1971 b. where I majored in History and minored in social work. I received my Bachelor of Science degree from Alabama State University on May 28, 1971.
- I attended Nova University in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida from May 1974 until c. August 1976 where I studied public administration. I completed the

requirements for my Masters and Doctorate in Public Administration, however, I did not complete the comprehensive requirements.

Interrogatory No. 4: Please provide a summary of your employment history as an adult, including the names and addresses of the place of employment, the dates of employment, your immediate supervisor, and job positions held or areas of responsibility, or both.

Please see my resume which has been produced by my attorneys. Response:

Interrogatory No. 5: Have you ever been a plaintiff or defendant in another lawsuit, whether civil, criminal, divorce, family, etc.? If so, please state the style of the case, including the court where filed, the substance of the claims, and the final outcome, if any.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is Objection of Counsel: overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 6: Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 6 on the basis **Objection of Counsel:** that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome and requests information that is equally available and in possession of plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens. Moreover, due to the passage of time, this Defendant may not remember the date and exact subject matter of all communications with Ms. Owens concerning the incident and events made the basis of her Complaint.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do remember announcing Response: to all personnel department staff that we would be advertising and seeking applicants for the position of the Assistant Personnel Manager. Although, I do not remember the specific date of this staff meeting and any specific conversations or discussions with Ms. Owens during that particular staff meeting. I do believe Ms. Owens was present for the announcement.

Although, I do not remember the date, I do remember that Ms. Owens did approach me the same week sometime after the aforementioned staff meeting regarding the position announced. Our conversation was brief and concerned the specifications of the Assistant Manager's Position. Ms. Owens did express that she felt that she was put out of the running for this position because she did not possess a college degree, only a high school diploma. I then explained that it was determined that this particular position did require a college degree and that the position would not contain a substitution provision.

I do not remember any other specific instances where I would have discussed the position and/or substitution provision with Ms. Owens. It is possible that Ms. Owens could have been present in a different staff meeting where the change in the substitution policy was discussed. Additionally, Ms. Owens often attended the facilities personnel managers' meetings where it is also possible that the change in the substitution provision was discussed.

Interrogatory No. 7: Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 6 on the basis Objection of Counsel: that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome and requests information that is equally available and in possession of plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard. Moreover, due to the passage of time, this Defendant may not remember the date and exact subject matter of all communications with Ms. Owens concerning the incident and events made the basis of her Complaint.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do remember announcing Response: to all personnel department staff that we would be advertising and seeking applicants for the position of the Assistant Personnel Manager. Although, I do not remember the specific date of this staff meeting Ms. Hubbard was present for the announcement. I specifically remember that when the position was announced and the specifications discussed, that Ms. Hubbard raised questions regarding whether or not the position would contain a substitution provision. She provided her opinion that substitution should be allowed. I explained that the JEC was undergoing a review of all exempt positions that were open on a case by case basis, particularly higher level positions, and making a determining of whether or not substitution should be allowed. I explained that because this position was a high level management position, that it had been determined that substitution would not be allowed.

At some point, although I do not remember the specific date, I was provided a pink "message slip" by Ms. Hubbard. I do believe this occurred prior to the previously discussed staff meeting. Ms. Hubbard had taken a message from the State Personnel Department confirming that a job code had been assigned to the Assistant Manager's position. I did not have any conversation with Ms. Hubbard regarding this message or the position at that time. I no longer have a copy of this message slip.

I do not remember any other specific instances where I would have discussed the position and/or substitution provision with Ms. Hubbard. It is possible that Ms. Hubbard could have been present in a different staff meeting where the change in the substitution policy was discussed. Additionally, Ms. Hubbard often attended the facilities personnel managers' meeting where it is also possible that the change in the substitution provision was discussed.

Interrogatory No. 8: Please identify all communications between you and anyone other than Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard, concerning either Joan Owens or Karen Lynn Hubbard, or both, and the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, giving the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 8 on the basis Objection of Counsel: that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope. The Interrogatory is so broad that it is vague. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not remember each and Response: every conversation and/or date of such conversations that I had concerning Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard and the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint. However, I was involved with conversations regarding Ms. Owens' and Ms. Hubbard's concerns and/or complaints regarding this position with Commissioner Houston, Associate Commissioner Dillihay, June Lynn, and Marilyn Benson.

I do remember speaking with Mr. Dillihay and June Lynn, Assistant to the Associate Commissioner, after the Central Office Personnel Staff Meeting wherein I announced the position of Assistant Personnel Manager to all Central Office Staff based on Ms. Owens' and Ms. Hubbard's reactions and questions regarding the position and its lack of substitution provision. We discussed the concerns that were raised by Ms. Owens and Ms. Hubbard, but both agreed that due to the management level of this particular position and the increasing demands on the Personnel Department and overall need to strengthen the department as a whole, that this particular position did require a college degree.

As part of my duties, I weekly meet with Commissioner Houston. My meetings with the Commissioner are standing meetings and take place every Tuesday at 9:30. I do believe that in some of these meetings that we did discuss the position, the change in substitution provision and the concerns raised by Ms. Owens and Ms. Hubbard. However, there was agreement that due to the management level of this particular position and the increasing demands on the Personnel Department and overall need to strengthen the department as a whole, that this particular position did require a college degree. As a matter of general discussion during my weekly meetings with the Commissioner, we would continue ongoing discussions that could have involved this particular position. I also believe that we discussed when to announce the position which was eventually determined to be announced when the new budget for the year 2006 would go into effect.

I also did speak with June Lynn on a separate occasion. I was informed by Ms. Lynn that Ms. Owens had approached her in her capacity as acting Associate Commissioner to change the specifications allowing for substitution. Ms. Lynn indicated that she explained to Ms. Owens that she could not do this and agreed that the position did require a college degree. During this time period, Mr. Dillihay had been temporarily reassigned to the Mental Illness Division due to the needs of that particular department at that time. Ms. Lynn was appointed acting Associated Commissioner in Mr. Dillihay's absence.

I reserve the right to supplement my response.

Interrogatory No. 9: Please provide a detailed list of your job responsibilities as the Director of Human Resources of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation of the State of Alabama.

**Response:** Please refer to my personnel file, which I understand has been produced in response to discovery sent to the Department as a whole.

Interrogatory No. 10: Please describe in detail your meetings or communications, or both, with either Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens and/or Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard, concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request on the basis that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome and requests information that is equally available and in possession of plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens and Karen Lynn Hubbard. Moreover, due to the passage of time, this Defendant may not remember the date and exact subject matter of all communications with Ms. Owens and Ms. Hubbard concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see my responses to Interrogatories No. 6 and No. 7 which are incorporated and adopted herein by reference.

Interrogatory No. 11: Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any and all Defendants concerning the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 11 on the basis it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks

information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

Subject to the foregoing objections, I spoke with Commissioner Houston, Associate Response: Commissioner Dillihay, June Lynn in her official capacity as Assistant to Associate Commissioner Dillihay and in her official capacity as Acting Associate Commissioner, Ms. Marilyn Benson, State Personnel, Mike Mathis, and Members of the JEC.

 $As\ I\ stated\ previously\ in\ my\ responses,\ I\ had\ a\ standing\ meeting\ with\ Commissioner\ Houston$ each Tuesday. As part of my general discussions with Mr. Houston on these days, we often discussed the strengths and weaknesses of the Personnel Department and ways to increase its effectiveness and meet the needs of the Department of Mental Health and all its many divisions. During these discussions, Mr. Houston was concerned with strengthening the department as a whole. We also discussed undertaking a wage and classification study. Due to the growing need to strengthen the department and the wage and classification study that was to be performed, we did discuss the creation of an Assistant Personnel Manager. I do believe that during some of these meetings, Mr. Dillihay was also present.

In my overall discussions with Commissioner Houston, Mr. Dillihay and Ms. Lynn, there was a consensus that due to the complexity of the Department of Mental Health, increasing demands on the personnel department and management level of the Assistant Manager Position, that a Bachelor's degree was needed and should be required for the position.

In order to establish the position, I did ask Marilyn Benson to assist me in gathering some research on comparable positions from other states as well as information on comparable positions from State Personnel. I also requested a Job Code number from State Personnel in order to establish the position, which Jackie Graham, Director of State Personnel approved.

Once I had reviewed the research compiled, I provided a copy of the specification for the position to Mr. Dillihay. Once the specification was complete, I forwarded the Form 40 to Mr. Dillihay and Finance to approve. Mr. Houston would then have approved the position.

Once the creation and establishment of the position had been approved by the Commissioner, the JEC did discuss and consider the timing of the announcement of the position. Based on the ending and beginning of the fiscal year, it was decided by the JEC to announce the position at the beginning of the fiscal year. As such, the first announcement was made on September 15, 2005.

Finally, I would have discussed the position, its specifications and the substitution issue with the Job Evaluation Committee. Under the direction of the Commissioner, the JEC was given the task and authority to review each and every position as announced to determine if substitution should be allowed and/or if substitution should apply to that position at all.

Additionally, it was my opinion and also determined in general discussions with Mr. Dillihay, Commissioner Houston and Ms. Lynn, that the grading of applications for this particular position should not be handled by Central Office Personnel due to the potential applicants in Central Office. I spoke with Mike Mathis, Personnel Manager at Partlow, requesting that he receive all applications for the position and be responsible for grading the applications and make the determination regarding which candidates were qualified for the position. I believe that Mr. Mathis also assisted in writing some of the interview questions for the panel. I have provided two emails from Mr. Mathis regarding the grading of applications in response to Plaintiffs' requests for production of documents.

I do remember having a specific conversation with Ms. Lynn discussing the makeup of the Interview Panel for this position. Ms. Lynn suggested using all Associate Commissioners for each division and/or facility and at least one individual from state personnel. I believe my conversations with Ms. Lynn were with her in her official capacity as Acting Associate Commissioner.

I do reserve the right to supplement this response.

Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, Interrogatory No. 12: correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any individual not a defendant in this case, concerning the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 12 on the basis Objection of Counsel: it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

Please refer to my response to Interrogatory No. 11 which is incorporated by and Response: adopted by reference herein.

Have you ever been warned, reprimanded, disciplined or otherwise Interrogatory No. 13: subjected to any adverse employment action for any reason? If so, please state the following:

- the type of adverse employment action taken, i.e., reprimand, warning, discipline, a. involuntary leave, etc.;
- the date of such action; and b.
- the reason for such action. c.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is Objection of Counsel: overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 14: Identify the factual basis for any and all defenses you have asserted in your Answer to the Complaint filed by Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel objects to this Interrogatory in that discovery has not been completed and this response cannot be fully made at this time.

<u>Interrogatory No. 15:</u> Have you ever been accused of discrimination by anyone, whether employment or race related or otherwise? If your answer is affirmative, then state the following:

- a. The name and address of the person making the accusation;
- b. The date, nature and substance of the accusation;
- c. Whether the accusation was investigated by anyone; and
- d. The results of the investigation or resolution of the accusation, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 16: Have you ever been terminated, asked to resign or otherwise been compelled to leave (if not otherwise asked to leave) any past employment? If your answer is affirmative, please give the name of the employer and explain the basis for the termination, resignation, etc.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

State the name, address, background training and work experience, Interrogatory No. 17: including any specialties, of each person you intend to call or may call as a witness in the trial of this and the second of the second o case.

- State the substance of the testimony you expect to be given by each such witness; and a.
- State on which claim(s) or issue(s) you propose to call each such witness. b.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 17 because it Objection of Counsel: is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

Other than myself and the other defendants listed in this action, I believe the Response: following individuals may be called as witnesses in this matter:

- June Lynn a.
  - Ms. Lynn is Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner for Administration, David Bennett. At relevant time periods to this litigation, Ms. Lynn was the Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner of Administration Otha Dillihay. Also, she was at one time acting Associate Commissioner for Administration of the ADMH/MR.
- b. David Bennett.

Mr. Bennett is currently the Associate Commissioner for Administration of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Mr. Bennett was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Director.

- Paul Bisbee c.
  - Mr. Bisbee was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR at times relevant to this action.
- đ. Susan Chambers

Ms. Chambers was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR. Ms. Chambers was also Facilities Director for Greil Memorial Psychiatric Hospital. She is currently the Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness.

- Charles Day e.
  - Mr. Day was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR.

#### f. Jackie Graham

Ms. Graham was the Deputy Director of the State Personnel Department at all times relevant to this action. She is currently Director of the State Personnel Department.

#### Kent Hunt g.

Mr. Hunt is the Associate Commissioner of the ADMH/MR Substance Abuse Division. Mr. Hunt is a member of the ADMH/MR Job Evaluation Committee and was also a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Director.

#### Judith Johnston h.

Ms. Johnston was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee. She was Director of Mental Retardation facilities until her retirement.

#### i. Doug Lunsford

Mr. Lunsford was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Director. Mr. Lunsford is the Manager of Special Projects for the State Personnel Department.

#### Mike Mathis j.

Mr. Mathis is the Personnel Director for the Partlow Center in Tuscaloosa, Alabama which is a facility of the ADMH/MR. Mr. Mathis was responsible for advertising the position of Assistant Personnel Manager and responsible for evaluating applications.

#### **Eranell McIntosh-Wilson** k.

Ms. Wilson was the Associate Commissioner of the Division of Mental Retardation of the ADMH/MR at the time relevant to this action. She was also a member of the Job Evaluation Committee at ADMH and was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Ms. Wilson is currently a Special Assistant to the Personnel Manager. Commissioner.

Please note that all individuals listed above are employees of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation or another State agency. As such, contact information has not been provided for these individuals. Any contact of the above listed individuals should be done through my counsel of record, Chip Nix and/or Brandy Price. Additionally, I do reserve the right to supplement this witness list as discovery in this matter is ongoing.

If you expect to call or may call an expert witness in the trial of this **Interrogatory No. 18:** case, state with respect to each such expert the following:

His or her name, residence address, telephone number and employer; a.

- The subject matter to which he or she is expected to testify; b.
- The substance of the facts and opinions to which he or she is expected to testify; c.
- A summary of the grounds for each opinion; d.
- His or her education and experience or other background which you contend qualifies e. such person to testify as an expert witness on the matters referred to in your answers to this Interrogatory; and
- List all publications, speeches, presentations, articles, or similar material ever made f. or written by said expert or experts.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Response: Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action. I have previously provided Plaintiff with a list of individuals believed to have knowledge regarding this matter in my Initial Disclosure Statement. I do reserve the right to supplement my list as discovery continues.

Please identify all communications you have had with any Interrogatory No. 19: representative of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") regarding the matter alleged in the Complaint, giving the date of the communication, the nature and substance of the communication, and the name and telephone number of the representative(s) with whom you communicated.

I have not personally had any communications with anyone at the EEOC. Response:

Please identify all witnesses to any and all events alleged in the Interrogatory No. 20. Complaint, and your defenses thereto, giving the name and the address of the witness, and the event or matter witnessed by each person identified.

I have previously provided a list of witnesses through my counsel of record in the Response: Initial Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I provided information in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

Please identify all persons who you believe may have any knowledge Interrogatory No. 21: whatsoever regarding the claims made the basis of the Complaint or your defenses thereto, or both, giving the name and address of the person and the nature or extent of his or her knowledge.

I have previously provided list of witnesses through my counsel of record in the Initial Response: Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I previously provided a list of witnesses in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

## RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

Request No. 1: All documents which pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 1 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for documents which are irrelevant or that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, Request No. 1 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 2: All documents which pertain to any and all events, matters and allegations made the basis of the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 2 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents. Additionally, Request No. 2 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 3: All documents which support or reference any and all defenses asserted by you or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 3 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 3 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant. Further, numerous documents of the ADMH/MR have been produced.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 4: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 4 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents. Additionally, Request No. 4 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 5: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference any and all events, matters and allegations made the basis of the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 5 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents. Additionally, Request No. 5 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 6: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference any and all defenses asserted by your or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 6 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 6 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant and, while this Defendant will produce documents that are not objectionable in this Defendant's possession or control that are responsive to this request, if any, this Defendant objects to producing or attempting to produce the described documents in the possession or control of any Co-Defendant.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 7: All documents which relate to or reference the creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions, or both, with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 7 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 7 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this Request calls for documents concerning the "creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions or both" which have no reference or relevance to the position in question in this case. Further, the request calls for the production of information that has no relationship to similar jobs to the one that is the subject of this case and said request has no time frame or time limitation with regard to it.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 8: All documents which relate to or reference the creation, development of specifications and filling of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 8 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 8 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this Request calls for documents concerning the "creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions or both" which have no reference or relevance to the position in question in this case. Further, the request calls for the production of information that has no relationship to similar jobs to the one that is the subject of this case and said request has no time frame or time limitation with regard to it.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 9: Any document relied upon, referred to, or identified in your Answers to Interrogatories served simultaneously herewith.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 9 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 9 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing, please see my resume which has been Response: produced. I did review a number of documents, all of which I understand from Counsel have been produced.

A copy of all documents that substantiate, concern or are related to your Request No. 10: response to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 10 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 10 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Further, because of the extreme breadth of the request for documents that substantiate, concern or relate to answers a response would require overly burdensome document review by counsel.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing, please see my resume which has been Response: produced. Further, I understand a substantial number of other documents have been produced.

All documents referenced, viewed, or relied upon in any way in the Request No. 11: preparation of your answers to these Interrogatories.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 11 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 11 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Please see previous responses. Response:

All documents which relate to or reference Marilyn Benson. Request No. 12:

Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 12 in that it is **Objection of Counsel:** overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any documents which relate to or reference Marilyn Benson. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 13: All documents which relate to or reference Otha Dillihay.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 13 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any documents which relate to or reference Otha Dillihay. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 14: All documents which relate to or reference John Houston.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 14 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any documents which relate to or reference John Houston. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 15: All documents which relate to or reference any and all personnel decisions and actions you have taken concerning the Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 15 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 16: All job specifications and job opening notices regarding positions with the Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation for the past ten (10) years.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 16 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request is not limited to a reasonable time and seeks specifications that are not similar to the specifications for the job in question in this case.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 17: Your most recent resume or curriculum vitae.

**Response:** Please see my resume which has been produced.

Request No. 18: All documents submitted to or received from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 19: A copy of your file concerning the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's investigation of the matters alleged in the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 19 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. It calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible information. Additionally,

this request calls for the production of material that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any and all reports, correspondence or documents which have been prepared Request No. 20: by any person in connection with or relating to this lawsuit or the alleged incident(s) giving rise to this lawsuit.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 20 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

All documents reflecting communications between you and any person Request No. 21: concerning or relating to the claims alleged in this action, including, without limitation, communications with any parties to this action, any governmental employees or agency representatives, media outlets, family members, business colleagues, your co-workers at the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, or any representatives of such persons.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 21 in that this **Objection of Counsel:** request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any written statements taken by you, your attorneys or your investigators from Request No. 22: any and all witnesses to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 22 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any and all photographs or videotapes of any alleged incident(s) or Request No. 23: circumstances(s) giving rise to this lawsuit or relating to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 23 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Copies of any and all tape recordings, video cassette recordings or other Request No. 24: magnetic media that may contain recordings of statements or accounts made by any person, including parties, pertaining or relating in any way to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 24 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any and all documents that were referenced, viewed, identified, or relied upon Request No. 25: in anyway in the preparation of your answers to this Discovery, or that relate to the allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

Counsel for this Defendant objects to Request No. 25 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is duplicative. Additionally, this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request calls for information that can only be provided at the conclusion of discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see my resume which Response: has been provided. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Copies of any curriculum vitae of any expert witnesses you plan to call at the Request No. 26: trial of this case.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding Response: expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

Copies of any and all reports rendered by any expert whom you have consulted Request No. 27: or whom you expect to call as an expert witness at the trial of this case.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding Response: expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

A copy of all textbooks, journal articles, treatises, etc., being used in support Request No. 28: of any opinions expressed in this case regarding the events, matters and allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

A copy of all documents or other tangible items that you intend or expect to Request No. 29: use as an exhibit at the trial of this matter.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this Request. At this time, **Objection of Counsel:** discovery has only just begun. As such, it would be impossible to designate what exhibits I shall use at the trial of this matter at this time. A list of exhibits will be provided in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

All documents from any Defendant in this case, regarding any events, matters Request No. 30: and claims made the basis of the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

Discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be **Objection of Counsel:** responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant and, while this Defendant will produce documents that are not objectionable in this Defendant's possession or control that are responsive to this request, if any, this Defendant objects to producing or attempting to produce the described documents in the possession or control of any Co-Defendant.

Request No. 31: All documents which refer, relate to or pertain to your employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Response: I have none personally. I do not know who keeps my personnel file.

Request No. 32: All diaries, calendars, memos or other chronologies or summaries of events, written or otherwise, maintained by you or in your possession, relating or referring to any parties and/or events, matters or claims in the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 32 in that this request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objection, none.

Request No. 33: All court orders, complaints, petitions, judgments, releases, settlement agreements, or covenants asserting, disposing of, resolving or referring to any legal claim, or potential claim, made by or against you, or on behalf of you.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 33 in it is Objection of Counsel: vague and ambiguous. Additionally, the request for production seeks information concerning "any legal claim". Specifically, Counsel for Defendant objects in that the interrogatory calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible information or evidence. The question makes no reference to any specific type of discrimination or discrimination claim and does not confine the question to similar suits or claims. Similarity is not defined in the question. Further, the use of the terms "complaint" and "claims" are vague, ambiguous and overly broad and are so broad that ostensibly even a casual or purely oral "accusation" or informal writing might qualify as an complaint or claim. It would be impossible for this Defendant to respond to such a vague, ambiguous and broad question. Additionally, the question seeks information for an infinite period of time. This is excessive and not narrowly tailored, as such it is overly broad and unduly burdensome. Additionally, this question calls for information that is protected by the attorney-client and executive privilege and by the work product exception to discoverable information. Moreover, the request seeks information that is potentially confidential. Finally, any formal lawsuit filed is a matter of public record and equally available to plaintiffs.

Request No. 34: All documents received by or given to you from any local, state, or federal agency, office, department or official which refer, relate or pertain to any matter set forth in the Complaint, the allegations made therein and/or your defenses thereto.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 34 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request cannot be responded to until discovery is completed in the case.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Request No. 35: All documents which refer, relate or pertain to any and all charges, petitions, grievances, complaints or lawsuits ever filed by or against you concerning any alleged discrimination.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 35 in that this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or relevant evidence. This request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request does not limit the production to a reasonable time and does not describe what counsel for the Plaintiffs considers similar and does not limit the request to similar complaints or lawsuits within a reasonable period of time. Further, the terms "charges, petitions and grievances" may or may not relate to purely oral matters not put in writing or may relate to matters not kept for any length of time by this Defendant. Additionally, assuming the request were limited to similar complaints or lawsuits within a reasonable time or similar charges, petitions or grievances within a reasonable time, said items could possibly exist in personnel files or in other places that would require this Defendant to make an effort to locate said items that would be unduly burdensome.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally.

Request No. 36: Please produce all of your personnel files and personnel records concerning your employment with any and all employers during the last twenty (20) years.

**Response:** I personally do not have a copy of my personnel file.

Request No. 37: Please produce your driver's license or a photocopy of same.

Objection of Counsel: Confidential.

Please produce all forms, applications, questionnaires, complaints, letters, Request No. 38: filings or other documents you completed or provided to the EEOC regarding any claim of discrimination filed by or against you, and all documents which you received from the EEOC regarding same.

Response: None.

BRANDY F. PRICE (PRI079)

Counsel for Defendants

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that an exact copy of the foregoing instrument has been served (a) through the Court's e-filing system; (b) by placing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed; and/or (c) by personal/firm e-mail to

J. Flynn Mozingo, Esq.  Melton, Espy & Williams, P.C. P. O. Drawer 5130  Montgomery, AL 36103-5130	Courtney W. Tarver, Esq. Deputy Atty. General and Gen. Counsel Bureau of Legal Services ADMH/MR RSA Union Building 100 N. Union Street Montgomery, AL 36130-1410
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day of

2008

### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF

PERSONALLY appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, the within named Henry Ervin, who states upon his oath that he is duly authorized to execute Responses to Plaintiff's Interrogatories, in the matter styled *Joan Owens and Karen Lynn Hubbard v. State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, et al.* and being 2:07-cv-650, in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division. These responses are based upon and are limited by the records and information still in existence and located in the course of preparing of these answers. Upon information and belief and subject to the limitations set forth herein, the answers are true and correct as therein stated.

This the 244 day of farch

2008

Henry Ervin

WORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me this the 24th day of 2008.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: 2/1/20/2

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#### **EDUCATIONAL DATA**

Graduate School:

Nova University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Public Administration Program

Attended from May 1974 - December 1976

**Undergraduate School:** 

Alabama State University, Montgomery, Alabama Bachelor of Science Degree received June 1971

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

• October 1998 - Current:

State of Alabama

Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

Job Title:

**Director of Human Resources Management** 

Duties Performed: Plans, directs and monitors the Human Resources so that the application and interpretation of the rules and regulations for Personnel Administration, applicable labor relations and other areas of administration are equitably performed including the enforcement of State and Federal rules and regulations within the limits of applicable statutes, policies, labor relations, both State and Federal, Departmental Policy and Procedures and supervisory guidelines.

Advises Departmental administrators and employees so that there is a clear understanding of the classification, recruitment and selection process, including the application and interpretation of the rules, regulations, Departmental and State Personnel Policies and Procedures, federal and State laws for Personnel Administration, Labor contracts, EEOC and ADA requirements, FMLA, Employee Injury Program and other applicable activities.

Serves as Liaison to the State Personnel Department, Federal and other State Agencies so that the Department maintains a communication link and is adequately represented, including receiving and providing information on current developments and practices in employment and labor relations, participate in conducting investigations of certain complaints filed against Departmental employees. Performs mediation activities when necessary

December 1990 - October 1998:

Thomasville Mental Health and Rehabilitation

Center

Job Title:

Director of Human Resource Management

Duties Performed: Responsible for day to day operations of the Thomasville Mental Health Rehabilitation Center's personnel office, including policies and procedures, quality improvement, curriculum development, budget, recruitment, selection, placement, position classification, personnel transactions, training, employee and labor relations, performance evaluations, employee counseling affirmative action and personnel records. Responsible for planning, organizing, developing, coordinating and implementing a comprehensive personnel management program. Provided frequent advice and recommendations to the director or administrative supervisor on personnel needs, rules, policies and participate in the overall management process of the facility. Provided supervision for the employee health and volunteer services programs. Supervision was exercised over clerical and professional staff performing specialized assignments.

September 1988 – December 1990:

Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental

Retardation

Thomasville, Alabama

Job Title:

Mental Health Facility Advocate

Duties Performed: Received and conducted investigations of complaints related to alleged violations of patient rights in the Department of Mental Health facility at Thomasville Mental Health Rehabilitation Center using state mental health procedures and guidelines.

May 1987 – September 1988:

Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental

Retardation

Thomasville, Alabama

Job Title:

Hearing Officer

Duties Performed: Served as Hearing Officer under an independent contract for the Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation. This required hearing cases which were presented by labor unions representing the nonmanagement employees of the Department of Mental Health and rendering decisions on those cases.

September 1980 - April 1987:

Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental

Retardation

Montgomery, Alabama

Job Title:

**Director of Personnel Services** 

Duties Performed: Responsible for the day to day operations at the State Department of Mental Health's central personnel office, including managing all aspects of employment, recruitment, wage and salary administration and coordinating the merit system hiring process with the State personnel department. This position also entailed supervising an office of 10 professional and clerical personnel and a budget of \$300,000.

September 1977 – August 1980:

The Ohio State University Hospitals &

College of Medicine Columbus, Ohio

Job Title:

**Associate Director of Hospital Personnel** 

Duties Performed: Planned and carried out policies relating to all phases of personnel activities. Coordinated, developed and implemented policies and programs covering employment, wage and classification, personnel budgets, orientation and placement, benefits and employee compensation. Coordinated meetings and contract negotiations with the hospital's seven labor unions. Exercised general supervision of the hospital's recruitment programs. Functional and administrative supervision was exercised over department management and supervisory staff (4-6).

#### Employment beyond 1980 includes the following:

March 1973 - 1977

Director of Personnel and Support Services

Palm Beach County Community Mental Health

Center, West Palm Beach, Florida

October 1971 - 1973:

Personnel Manager

Ohio Medical Indemnity (Blue Shield)

Worthington, Ohio

June - October 1971:

Employment Specialist III

Ohio Bureau of Employment Services

Columbus, Ohio

#### MILITARY SERVICE

December 1965 - October 1967

Served as an enlisted man (Grade E-5) in the

Republic of Vietnam with the 199th Lt. Infantry Brigade. Honorably

discharged form active duty October 24, 1967.

## PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ORGANIZATION AFFILIATIONS

Board Chairman - The Montgomery Community Housing Resource Board (1983 - December 1988)

A graduate of Leadership Montgomery - First Class in 1985

Past member of Montgomery County Personnel Association

Member of KAPPA ALPHA PSI Fraternity, Inc. (Life Member)

Member of Masonic Lodge 520, Linden, Alabama

Member and Board of Deacons, First Baptist Church of Linden, Linden, Alabama

A member of the Advisory Board for the Alabama Department Youth Services REACH Program.

Member of the Linden City School Board (1998 - 2005)

Member of the Review Board for the Alabama Department of Risk Management.

## REFERENCES

Available upon request.

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

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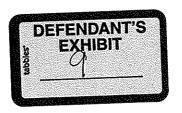
## DEFENDANT MARILYN BENSON'S RESPONSES TO PLAINTIFFS' FIRST CONSOLIDATED DISCOVERY

COMES NOW Defendant Marilyn Benson, by and through counsel, and responds to the

Plaintiff's First Consolidated Discovery as follows:

## **OBJECTIONS TO** DEFINITIONS

- "You" Counsel for Defendant objects to this definition as being overly broad and unduly (B) burdensome and including descriptions of persons who could not or would not generally be considered within the definition of the word "you". The terms "agent," "experts," "witnesses at trial," "attorneys," and "people who have access to information" are all terms that are overly broad in this definition and that create a near impossibility of responding to discovery with the word "you" in that discovery as defined. The term "you" should be used in its common sense and Counsel respectfully states that any answer or response to any discovery item that contains the word "you" would include the party itself to whom the discovery is addressed and if the party to whom the discovery is addressed is the ADMH/MR, any employee of the party who could reasonably be expected to be included in that term.
- "Document" and "documents" Counsel for Defendant objects to the terms "document" and (C) "documents" as defined in item (C) in these definitions and asserts that the definition as set forth in item (C) is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This definition calls for information that is irrelevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in item (C) would call for documents that are



protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term as defined would cause this Defendant to spend such an inordinate amount of money and time and would otherwise confuse the discovery process to the extent that the discovery itself would be fundamentally flawed and unfair. The terms "electronic, photographic or mechanical means" are vague and ambiguous and numerous other terms in this definition are vague and ambiguous to the extent that compliance with the definition would become intolerably burdensome, expensive and time-consuming and the production of information subject to this definition would be overly broad and would call for information that is not discoverable. Any attempt to separate, parse out or search for "documents" using each individual term in the definition would be unduly burdensome and extraordinarily time-consuming and expensive and would cause the response to discovery to be nearly impossible. Additionally, the use of this definition would not be possible with respect to numerous requests and would put the Defendant at an unfair disadvantage in attempting to respond to the discovery as submitted using this definition.

(D) "Identify," "identity" or "identification" - (5). This Defendant objects to Definition (D)(5). There are terms in Definition (D)(5) which are ambiguous and vague and require clarification. The definition calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. The definition in (D)(5) might call for information that is subject to the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. The term "nature of the act" is vague and ambiguous. The term "joining in the act" is vague and ambiguous.

# OBJECTIONS TO INSTRUCTIONS

- (A) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (A) to the extent that it seeks a reason for the inability to provide a complete answer. To the best of this Defendant's ability, a complete answer will be provided, however, the term "complete" can sometimes be a subject of controversy or concerning which there is a difference of opinion or an answer may be given by the Defendant in good faith believing it is complete which must be supplemented based upon newly remembered or discovered information. This instruction is inconsistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure which considers and provides for the question of "completeness."
- (B) Counsel for Defendant objects to Instruction (B) to the extent that it seeks supplementation up until the time a Final Judgment is rendered in the case. If information is found which would be appropriate for supplementation of a prior response, then supplementation would be made, if possible, however, there could be times when supplementation would not be possible prior to the issuance of a Final Judgment. For example, counsel should not be required to supplement in the middle of the trial of a case when time is precious, even though, of course, in many situations informal supplementation can be and to the extent possible will be provided by way of advising counsel of the substance of newly discovered

information and/or the providing of a newly found document. Nevertheless, to the extent that this instruction provides that supplementation should be made up until the time of Final Judgment, this Defendant objects.

#### RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES

<u>Interrogatory No. 1:</u> Please identify every individual who provided any answers or assistance for your response to these Interrogatories, including the individual's address, telephone number and, if applicable, position with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

**Response:** My lawyer assisted me in the process of answering by reviewing the questions with me and providing legal explanation to any questions I may have had.

<u>Interrogatory No. 2:</u> Please state your correct name, date of birth, social security number, driver's license number, residence address and work address.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this interrogatory to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Moreover, Defendant specifically objects to providing his Social Security Number and Driver's License Number in that provision of such information is or could lead to an invasion of privacy. My Social Security Number and Driver's License Number are confidential. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see Response.

Response: My full name is Marilyn Berry Benson. My date of birth is July 18, 1959. I currently work at the Alabama Department of Mental Health located at 100 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama. My current residence address is 1078 16th Place, Alexander City, Alabama 35010.

Interrogatory No. 3: Please provide a summary of your educational background including the names and addresses of all schools you have attended, the dates of attendance, all degrees awarded and areas of study or major.

Response: I attended the Auburn University at Montgomery where I received my Master's Degree in Public Administration in 1987. In 1981, I graduated from Auburn University receiving my Bachelor's Degree in Health Services Administration. Also, please see my resume which I understand was produced by ADMH/MR, as well as my personnel file.

Interrogatory No. 4: Please provide a summary of your employment history as an adult, including the names and addresses of the place of employment, the dates of employment, your immediate supervisor, and job positions held or areas of responsibility, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, not reasonably limited in time or scope and not reasonably limited to discover information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action.

Please refer to my resume which my attorneys have produced in response to Ms. Response: Owen's and Ms. Hubbard's requests for production of documents.

Have you ever been a plaintiff or defendant in another lawsuit, whether Interrogatory No. 5: civil, criminal, divorce, family, etc.? If so, please state the style of the case, including the court where filed, the substance of the claims, and the final outcome, if any.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is Objection of Counsel: overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Joan Interrogatory No. 6: Faulk Owens concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

To the best of my knowledge and recollection at this time, I have not had any Response: communications with the Plaintiff Joan Owens concerning the incident and events alleged in her Complaint.

Please identify all communications between you and Plaintiff Karen Interrogatory No. 7: Lynn Hubbard concerning the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

To the best of my knowledge and recollection at this time, I have not had any Response: communications with the Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard concerning the incident and events that are the basis of her Complaint.

Please identify all communications between you and anyone other than Interrogatory No. 8: Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard, concerning either Joan Owens or Karen Lynn Hubbard, or both, and the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint, giving the date of such communications, the substance of such communications and all witnesses thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 8 on the basis Objection of Counsel: that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope. The Interrogatory is so broad that it is vague. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which

is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not remember each and every conversation and/or date of such conversations that I had concerning Ms. Owens or Ms. Hubbard and the incident and events made the basis of the Complaint.

<u>Interrogatory No. 9:</u> Please provide a detailed list of your job responsibilities as Assistant Personnel Manager of Human Resources of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation of the State of Alabama.

**Response:** Please refer to my personnel file which has been produced by my attorneys in response to Interrogatories propounded to ADMH/MR.

Interrogatory No. 10: Please describe in detail your meetings or communications, or both, with either Plaintiff Joan Faulk Owens and/or Plaintiff Karen Lynn Hubbard, concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard thereto.

Response: To the best of my recollection at this time, I did not have any meetings or communications with either Ms. Joan Faulk Owens or Ms. Karen Lynn Hubbard concerning the creation of the specifications for the non-merit position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager or any objection(s) made by Owens or Hubbard.

Interrogatory No. 11: Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any and all Defendants concerning the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 11 on the basis it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the stated objections, please see the Response.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I did speak with Henry Ervin in his capacity as Director of Personnel regarding conducting research on positions comparable to the Assistant Manager's position.

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Additionally, I also remember speaking with Ms. June Lynn in her capacity as Acting Associate Commissioner regarding the specifications and qualifications for this specific position.

I also spoke to Joel Rose, Manager of Classifications for the Georgia Department of Mental Health in order to obtain comparable wage and classification information, including qualifications, on positions comparable to the Assistant Personnel Manager position to assist Mr. Ervin in obtaining information for this position. Mr. Rose referred me to the Georgia Department of Mental Health Website which contained the information I was seeking. In addition, I also researched the websites from Tennessee and Florida Departments of Mental Health for information. I did not personally speak to anyone at the Tennessee or Florida offices for assistance.

Although, I do not specifically remember having conversations with any particular member of the Job Evaluation Committee, I was present as scribe/secretary for meetings in which the substitution provision was discussed in general and in which the position for Assistant Departmental Personnel Manager position was discussed. Any such discussions would be reflected in the JEC minutes. It is my understanding that the JEC minutes are being produced by the ADMH/MR.

Please describe in detail any meetings, conversations, e-mails, Interrogatory No. 12: correspondence, telephone conversations or any other methods of communication whatsoever, you had with any individual not a defendant in this case, concerning the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, and the development of specifications and hiring process for filling such position.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 12 on the basis Objection of Counsel: it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information which is relevant and/or admissible regarding the claims and defenses presented in this action. Specifically, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

Please refer to my response to Interrogatory No. 8 and No. 11 which is incorporated Response: by and adopted by reference herein.

Have you ever been warned, reprimanded, disciplined or otherwise Interrogatory No. 13: subjected to any adverse employment action for any reason? If so, please state the following:

- the type of adverse employment action taken, i.e., reprimand, warning, discipline, a. involuntary leave, etc.;
- the date of such action; and b.
- the reason for such action.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

<u>Interrogatory No. 14:</u> Identify the factual basis for any and all defenses you have asserted in your Answer to the Complaint filed by Joan Owens and Lynn Hubbard.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this Interrogatory in that discovery has not been completed and this response cannot be fully made at this time.

Interrogatory No. 15: Have you ever been accused of discrimination by anyone, whether employment or race related or otherwise? If your answer is affirmative, then state the following:

- a. The name and address of the person making the accusation;
- b. The date, nature and substance of the accusation;
- c. Whether the accusation was investigated by anyone; and
- d. The results of the investigation or resolution of the accusation, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

Interrogatory No. 16: Have you ever been terminated, asked to resign or otherwise been compelled to leave (if not otherwise asked to leave) any past employment? If your answer is affirmative, please give the name of the employer and explain the basis for the termination, resignation, etc.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and is not reasonably limited in time or scope. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. If Plaintiffs will narrow their request for information to a specific time frame and to information relevant to this claims and/or defenses presented in this litigation, this Defendant will respond to this request at that time.

State the name, address, background training and work experience, **Interrogatory No. 17:** including any specialties, of each person you intend to call or may call as a witness in the trial of this case.

- State the substance of the testimony you expect to be given by each such witness; and a.
- State on which claim(s) or issue(s) you propose to call each such witness. h.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 17 because it **Objection of Counsel:** is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and not reasonably limited in time or scope including a reasonable definition of similarity. Moreover, Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses presented in this action. Counsel for Defendant objects to this request in that it seeks information which is protected by the attorney client privilege and/or work product doctrine. Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see the Response.

Other than myself and the other defendants listed in this action, I believe the Response: following individuals may be called as witnesses in this matter:

- June Lynn a.
  - Ms. Lynn is Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner for Administration, David Bennett. At relevant time periods to this litigation, Ms. Lynn was the Executive Assistant to the Associate Commissioner of Administration Otha Dillihay. Also, she was at one time acting Associate Commissioner for Administration of the ADMH/MR.
- David Bennett. b.
  - Mr. Bennett is currently the Associate Commissioner for Administration of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Mr. Bennett was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Manager.
- Paul Bisbee c.
  - Mr. Bisbee was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR at times relevant to this action.
- Susan Chambers d.
  - Ms. Chambers was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR. Ms. Chambers was also Facilities Director for Greil Memorial Psychiatric Hospital. She is currently the Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness.
- Charles Day e. Mr. Day was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee for the ADMH/MR.

- f. Jackie Graham Ms. Graham was the Deputy Director of the State Personnel Department at all times relevant to this action. She is currently Director of the State Personnel Department.
- Kent Hunt g. Mr. Hunt is the Associate Commissioner of the ADMH/MR Substance Abuse Division. Mr. Hunt is a member of the ADMH/MR Job Evaluation Committee and was also a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Manager.
- h. Judith Johnston Ms. Johnston was a member of the Job Evaluation Committee. She was Director of Mental Retardation facilities until her retirement.
- Doug Lunsford i. Mr. Lunsford was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Personnel Manager. Mr. Lunsford is the Manager of Special Projects for the State Personnel Department.
- Mike Mathis j. Mr. Mathis is the Personnel Director for the Partlow Center in Tuscaloosa, Alabama which is a facility of the ADMH/MR. Mr. Mathis was responsible for advertising the position of Assistant Personnel Manager and responsible for evaluating applications.
- Eranell McIntosh-Wilson k. Ms. Wilson was the Associate Commissioner of the Division of Mental Retardation of the ADMH/MR at the time relevant to this action. She was also a member of the Job Evaluation Committee at ADMH and was a member of the interview committee that evaluated and interviewed candidates for the position of ADMH/MR Assistant Ms. Wilson is currently a Special Assistant to the Personnel Manager. Commissioner.

Please note that all individuals listed above are employees of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation or another State agency. As such, contact information has not been provided for these individuals. Any contact of the above listed individuals should be done through my counsel of record, Chip Nix and/or Brandy Price. Additionally, I do reserve the right to supplement this witness list as discovery in this matter is ongoing.

If you expect to call or may call an expert witness in the trial of this Interrogatory No. 18: case, state with respect to each such expert the following:

- a. His or her name, residence address, telephone number and employer;
- b. The subject matter to which he or she is expected to testify;
- c. The substance of the facts and opinions to which he or she is expected to testify;
- d. A summary of the grounds for each opinion;
- e. His or her education and experience or other background which you contend qualifies such person to testify as an expert witness on the matters referred to in your answers to this Interrogatory; and
- f. List all publications, speeches, presentations, articles, or similar material ever made or written by said expert or experts.

**Response:** My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

Interrogatory No. 19: Please identify all communications you have had with any representative of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") regarding the matter alleged in the Complaint, giving the date of the communication, the nature and substance of the communication, and the name and telephone number of the representative(s) with whom you communicated.

**Response:** I have not personally had any communications with anyone at the EEOC.

<u>Interrogatory No. 20.</u> Please identify all witnesses to any and all events alleged in the Complaint, and your defenses thereto, giving the name and the address of the witness, and the event or matter witnessed by each person identified.

**Response:** I have previously provided a list of witnesses through my counsel of record in the Initial Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I provided information in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

Interrogatory No. 21: Please identify all persons who you believe may have any knowledge whatsoever regarding the claims made the basis of the Complaint or your defenses thereto, or both, giving the name and address of the person and the nature or extent of his or her knowledge.

Response: I have previously provided list of witnesses through my counsel of record in the Initial Disclosures filed in this matter. Additionally, I previously provided a list of witnesses in response to Interrogatory No. 17. As previously stated, I do reserve the right to supplement my witness list as discovery is ongoing.

## RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

Request No. 1: All documents which pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 1 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for documents which are irrelevant or that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, Request No. 1 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 2: All documents which pertain to any and all events, matters and allegations made the basis of the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 2 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 2 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 3: All documents which support or reference any and all defenses asserted by you or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 3 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 3 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant. Further, numerous documents of the ADMH/MR have been produced.

Response: Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 4: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference Joan Owens or Lynn Hubbard, or both.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 4 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 4 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 5: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference any and all events, matters and allegations made the basis of the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 5 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 5 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 6: All audiotapes, videotapes, or other recordings of any conversation which pertain to or reference any and all defenses asserted by your or your Co-Defendants to the Complaint.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 6 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents. Additionally, Request No. 6 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant and, while this Defendant will produce documents that are not objectionable in this Defendant's possession or control that are responsive to this request, this Defendant objects to producing or attempting to produce the described documents in the possession or control of any Co-Defendant.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 7: All documents which relate to or reference the creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions, or both, with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 7 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 7 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this Request calls for documents concerning the "creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions or both" which have no reference or relevance to the position in question in this case. Further, the request calls for the production of information that has no relationship to similar jobs to the one that is the subject of this case and said request has no time frame or time limitation with regard to it.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 8: All documents which relate to or reference the creation, development of specifications and filling of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 8 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 8 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this Request calls for documents concerning the "creation and development of specifications for non-merit or merit employee positions or both" which have no reference or relevance to the position in question in this case. Further, the request calls for the production of information that has no relationship to similar jobs to the one that is the subject of this case and said request has no time frame or time limitation with regard to it.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, to the best of my knowledge, none.

Request No. 9: Any document relied upon, referred to, or identified in your Answers to Interrogatories served simultaneously herewith.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 9 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 9 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing, please see my resume which has been produced. I did review a number of documents, all of which I understand from Counsel have been produced.

Request No. 10: A copy of all documents that substantiate, concern or are related to your response to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 10 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 10 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Further, because of the extreme breadth of the request for documents that substantiate, concern or relate to answers a response would require overly burdensome document review by counsel.

**Response:** Subject to and without waiving the foregoing, please see my resume which has been produced. Further, I understand a substantial number of other documents have been produced.

Request No. 11: All documents referenced, viewed, or relied upon in any way in the preparation of your answers to these Interrogatories.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 11 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for irrelevant documents and/or documents that are not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible documents or information. Additionally, Request No. 11 calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and/or the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

**Response:** Please see previous responses.

Request No. 12: All documents which relate to or reference Henry Ervin.

Objection of Counsel: Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 12 in that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any Response: documents which relate to or reference Henry Ervin. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

All documents which relate to or reference Otha Dillihay. Request No. 13:

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 13 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any Response: documents which relate to or reference Otha Dillihay. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

All documents which relate to or reference John Houston. Request No. 14:

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 14 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I do not personally have any Response: documents which relate to or reference John Houston. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

All documents which relate to or reference any and all personnel decisions Request No. 15: and actions you have taken concerning the Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 15 in that it is overly Objection of Counsel: broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request contains no time restriction and no subject matter restriction or limitation. Further, this request is so broad that this Defendant could not respond because a search for any such information would involve so many employees of the Department and so many offices and divisions of the Department that it would be unduly burdensome to attempt to respond to the request as framed.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

All job specifications and job opening notices regarding positions with the Request No. 16: Department of Human Resources of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation [for] the past ten (10) years.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 16 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request is not limited to a reasonable time and seeks specifications that are not similar to the specifications for the job in question in this case.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Your most recent resume or curriculum vitae. Request No. 17:

Please see my resume which has been produced. Response:

All documents submitted to or received from the Equal Employment Request No. 18: Opportunity Commission.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

A copy of your file concerning the Equal Employment Opportunity Request No. 19: Commission's investigation of the matters alleged in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 19 in that this **Objection of Counsel:** request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. It calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible information. Additionally,

this request calls for the production of material that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any and all reports, correspondence or documents which have been prepared Request No. 20: by any person in connection with or relating to this lawsuit or the alleged incident(s) giving rise to this lawsuit.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 20 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

All documents reflecting communications between you and any person Request No. 21: concerning or relating to the claims alleged in this action, including, without limitation, communications with any parties to this action, any governmental employees or agency representatives, media outlets, family members, business colleagues, your co-workers at the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, or any representatives of such persons.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 21 in that this **Objection of Counsel:** request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any written statements taken by you, your attorneys or your investigators from Request No. 22: any and all witnesses to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 22 in that this **Objection of Counsel:** request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any and all photographs or videotapes of any alleged incident(s) or Request No. 23: circumstances(s) giving rise to this lawsuit or relating to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 23 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Copies of any and all tape recordings, video cassette recordings or other Request No. 24: magnetic media that may contain recordings of statements or accounts made by any person, including parties, pertaining or relating in any way to the events, matters and claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 24 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad. Further, the request calls for the production of documents and information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents and information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none in my personal Response: possession. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Any and all documents that were referenced, viewed, identified, or relied upon Request No. 25: in anyway in the preparation of your answers to this Discovery, or that relate to the allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 25 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is duplicative. Additionally, this request is overly broad and unduly burdensome and calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Further, this request calls for information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, the executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules

of Discovery. Additionally, this request calls for information that can only be provided at the conclusion of discovery.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, please see my resume which Response: has been provided. I understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

Copies of any curriculum vitae of any expert witnesses you plan to call at the Request No. 26: trial of this case.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding Response: expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

Copies of any and all reports rendered by any expert whom you have consulted Request No. 27: or whom you expect to call as an expert witness at the trial of this case.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding Response: expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

A copy of all textbooks, journal articles, treatises, etc., being used in support Request No. 28: of any opinions expressed in this case regarding the events, matters and allegations in the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

My lawyers will provide a list of expert witnesses and any information regarding expert witnesses in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

A copy of all documents or other tangible items that you intend or expect to Request No. 29: use as an exhibit at the trial of this matter.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this Request. At this time, Objection of Counsel: discovery has only just begun. As such, it would be impossible to designate what exhibits I shall use at the trial of this matter at this time. A list of exhibits will be provided in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and/or any scheduling order entered in this action.

All documents from any Defendant in this case, regarding any events, matters Request No. 30: and claims made the basis of the Complaint and/or your defenses thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this Request. At this time, **Objection of Counsel:** discovery has only just begun and this request cannot be responded to until discovery is complete. Further, this request calls for documents that are potentially only in the possession of a Co-Defendant and, while this Defendant will produce documents that are not objectionable in this Defendant's possession or control that are responsive to this request, if any, this Defendant objects to producing or attempting to produce the described documents in the possession or control of any Co-Defendant.

All documents which refer, relate to or pertain to your employment with the Request No. 31: Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

I have none personally. I do not know who keeps my personnel file. Response:

All diaries, calendars, memos or other chronologies or summaries of events, Request No. 32: written or otherwise, maintained by you or in your possession, relating or referring to any parties and/or events, matters or claims in the Complaint.

Counsel for Defendant objects to this request to the extent it is **Objection of Counsel:** overly broad, unduly burdensome, not reasonably limited in time or scope and to the extent this request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of information relevant to the claims and/or defenses present in this action. Subject to and without waiving these objections, please see Defendant's Response:

I have, through my attorneys, produced copies of my "to do" lists for the time frame Response: relevant to this action.

All court orders, complaints, petitions, judgments, releases, settlement Request No. 33: agreements, or covenants asserting, disposing of, resolving or referring to any legal claim, or potential claim, made by or against you, or on behalf of you.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Interrogatory No. 33 in it is **Objection of Counsel:** vague and ambiguous. Additionally, the request for production seeks information concerning "any legal claim". Specifically, counsel for Defendant objects in that the interrogatory calls for information that is not relevant and not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant or admissible information or evidence. The question makes no reference to any specific type of discrimination or discrimination claim and does not confine the question to similar suits or claims. Similarity is not defined in the question. Further, the use of the terms "complaint" and "claims" are vague, ambiguous and overly broad and are so broad that ostensibly even a casual or purely oral "accusation" or informal writing might qualify as an complaint or claim. It would be impossible for this Defendant to respond to such a vague, ambiguous and broad question. Additionally, the question seeks information for an infinite period of time. This is excessive and not narrowly tailored, as such it is overly broad and unduly burdensome. Additionally, this question calls for information that is protected by the attorney-client and executive privilege and by the work product exception to discoverable information. Moreover, the request seeks information that is potentially confidential. Finally, any formal lawsuit filed is a matter of public record and equally available to plaintiffs.

All documents received by or given to you from any local, state, or federal Request No. 34: agency, office, department or official which refer, relate or pertain to any matter set forth in the Complaint, the allegations made therein and/or your defenses thereto.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 34 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or evidence. Additionally, this request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request cannot be responded to until discovery is completed in the case.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally. I Response: understand numerous ADMH/MR documents have been produced.

All documents which refer, relate or pertain to any and all charges, petitions, Request No. 35: grievances, complaints or lawsuits ever filed by or against you concerning any alleged discrimination.

Counsel for Defendant objects to Request No. 35 in that this Objection of Counsel: request is overly broad and unduly burdensome. This request calls for irrelevant information that is not calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant information or relevant evidence. This request calls for documents that are protected by the attorney-client privilege, executive privilege and the work product exception to the Rules of Discovery. Additionally, this request does not limit the production to a reasonable time and does not describe what counsel for the Plaintiffs considers similar and does not limit the request to similar complaints or lawsuits within a reasonable period of time. Further, the terms "charges, petitions and grievances" may or may not relate to purely oral matters not put in writing or may relate to matters not kept for any length of time by this Defendant. Additionally, assuming the request were limited to similar complaints or lawsuits within a reasonable time or similar charges, petitions or grievances within a reasonable time, said items could possibly exist in personnel files or in other places that would require this Defendant to make an effort to locate said items that would be unduly burdensome.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing objections, I have none personally. Response:

Please produce all of your personnel files and personnel records concerning Request No. 36: your employment with any and all employers during the last twenty (20) years.

I personally do not have a copy of my personnel file. Response:

Please produce your driver's license or a photocopy of same. Request No. 37:

**Objection of Counsel:** Confidential.

Please produce all forms, applications, questionnaires, complaints, letters, Request No. 38: filings or other documents you completed or provided to the EEOC regarding any claim of discrimination filed by or against you, and all documents which you received from the EEOC regarding same.

Response: None.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that an exact copy of the foregoing instrument has been served (a) through the Court's e-filing system; (b) by placing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed; and/or (c) by personal/firm e-mail to

J. Flynn Mozingo, Esq. Melton, Espy & Williams, P.C. P. O. Drawer 5130 Montgomery, AL 36103-5130

Courtney W. Tarver, Esq. Deputy Atty. General and Gen. Counsel Bureau of Legal Services ADMH/MR RSA Union Building 100 N. Union Street Montgomery, AL 36130-1410

on this the 2 day of Mpul

2008.

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## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF MONTAGENERY

PERSONALLY appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, the within named Marilyn Benson, who states upon her oath that she is duly authorized to execute Responses to Plaintiff's Interrogatories, in the matter styled *Joan Owens and Karen Lynn Hubbard v. State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, et al.* and being 2:07-cv-650, in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division. These responses are based upon and are limited by the records and information still in existence and located in the course of preparing of these answers. Upon information and belief and subject to the limitations set forth herein, the answers are true and correct as therein stated.

This the Little day of March, 2008.

Marilyn Benson

WORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me this the

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day of

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NOPARY PUBLIC

My commission expires:

## Marilyn B. Benson

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EDUCATION

1987

Master's Degree In Public Administration (Concentration In Personnel) (Auburn University at Montgomery)

1981

Bachelor's Degree in Health Services Administration (Auburn University, Auburn, AL)

EMPLOYMENT

12/87-Present Personnel Specialist, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama

Assists with coordinating Personnel management activities for DMH/MR Central Office, seven facilities, and five Community Programs throughout the state. Responsibilities include coordinating recruitment, selection, and placement of direct care, administrative, technical, and service personnel. Responsibilities include examining positions, establishing, revising, deleting, combining classes, and making recommendations in order to comply with federal, state, and local guidelines of employment; also coordinate wage and salary information for non-merit classes, conduct surveys, analyzing positions and pay relationships, collecting, and ensuring the Department remains competitive in its development of solid wage, salary, and benefit schedules; attend career fairs and conventions to recruit the most qualified individuals to fill vacancies, conduct job analysis, gather subject matter experts, announce job vacancies, develop KSA's and conduct interviews. Other responsibilities include supervising and evaluating the work of clerical and technical support staff. Also provide technical assistance to department heads, and supervisors regarding personnel related matters on departmental employees. Responsible for carrying out functions of Human Resource Management In the absence of the Director.

08/84- Planning Specialist, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental 11/87 Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama

Rendered technical services to mental health centers by conducting personnel and management studies to include developing complete personnel action plans. Conducted interviews with employees, developed and revised job descriptions. Also examined current classification system to determine if employees were appropriately classified. Developed policies and procedures, to include recruitment and affirmative action plans. Also responsible for conducting supervisory training for both performance appraisals and the employee assistance program; Assisted with identifying federal funding availability through grant resources and provided technical assistance by compiling information needed in order to meet deadlines.

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Research Assistant, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental 08/83-Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama 08/84

Provided consultative services to various mental health centers throughout the state of Alabama. Responsible for writing, revising, and coordinating the development of various personnel policies and procedures, conducting performance appraisal training sessions and supervisory training for the Employee Assistance Program.

Office Manager, Neuropsychiatry Associates, Montgomery, Alabama 01/83-08/84

Supervised the overall operation of a psychiatric clinic. Was responsible for maintaining financial reports, accounts receivable, purchasing of supplies and equipment, client billing, processing insurance claims, purchase orders, as well as the supervision to clerical and technical support staff.

# HUMAN RESOURCE TRAINING ACTIVITIES & EXPERIENCE

- Developed performance appraisal systems and conducted management studies for seven different Mental Health Centers in five locations throughout the state of Alabama. Activities included:
  - 1) Disseminating questionnaires
  - 2| Conducting interviews
  - 3) Reviewing job descriptions
  - 4) Compiling draft descriptions
  - 5) Providing overview of Performance Appraisal System
  - 6) Training of Supervisors
  - 7) Project Implementation
- July 1983, Central Alabama Comprehensive Health Center, Tuskegee, AL Developed Performance Appraisal Instrument to be utilized and incorporated into their supervisory training program.
- October 1983, Jefferson Biount St. Clair County Mental Health Center, Birmingham, AL Established a Performance Appraisal Project Flow for JBS. Trained supervisors in the overview of the Performance Appraisal Instrument and legal Implications by conducting interviews with employees, writing job descriptions and task statements.
- Jan-March 1984, Chilton-Shelby Mental Health Center, Calera, AL Established Performance Appraisal Training Program for Center Supervisors by reviewing existing appraisal instrument, establishing weights for Primary Job Functions, conducting appraisal interviews, and providing instructions for scoring appraisals.
- April 1984, Mobile Community Mental Health Center, Mobile, AL Administered Employee Attitude Surveys in order to recognize employee attitudes or problems that may have a bearing on productivity, absenteeism, turnover, and Other related employee issues. After correlating and compiling data,

recommendations were made for improving overall staff morale and motivation.

- May 1984, Mobile Community Mental Health Center, Mobile, AL
  Established Performance Appraisal Instrument to be used at the Center. Trained supervisors in performance appraisal techniques and utilization.
- August 1984, Mobile Association for Retarded Citizens, Mobile, AL Analyzed current organizational structure by disseminating questionnaires and conducting interviews to determine whether jobs were appropriately classified and made recommendations accordingly.
- August 1984, <u>Cahaba Regional Mental Health Center</u>, Selma, AL

  Developed a performance appraisal system for supervisors at the Center.

  Interviewed employees, compiled questionnaires and conducted supervisory training.
- September 1984, Cherokee, Etowah, Dekalb County Mental Health Center, Gadsden, Al. Participated in Staff Development Consultation with supervisors of Cherokee, Etowah, Dekalb County Mental Health Facility to implement a Performance Appraisal System.
- September 1985, <u>The Bridge Alert Center</u>, Gadsden, AL Conducted workshop on FES (Factor Evaluation System) training and utilization of Training and Experience Crediting. Supervisors were trained in the area of Job analysis. The information was utilized in developing more accurate position descriptions.
- October 1985, Northwest Alabama Mental Health Center, Jasper, AL

  Developed a complete Personnel Action Plan by reviewing selection procedures, staff recruitment, evaluation of policies, and providing FES training for supervisors.

# EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

This training involved visiting various Community Mental Health Centers, State Facilities, and private industries to provide technical assistance in areas as: 1) Marketing presentation, 2) Specific employee problems, 3) Program design, 4) Program problem resolution, 5) Contract negotiations, and 6) Management Training.

- August 1985, <u>Canaba Mental Health Center</u>, Selma, AL Conducted training workshops to educate supervisors about the Employee Assistance Program, what it involved, who was eligible and the role they played.
- September 1987, <u>Auburn University</u>, Auburn, AL.
  Conducted 15 supervisory training sessions that included 219 participants to include the President and Vice-President of the University. Supervisors were acquainted with troubled employees, how to recognize them and the roles they were responsible for playing in the referral process.

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October 1987, Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center, Montgomery, AL.

Conducted a one-day workshop for supervisors by giving an overview of the program, identification of problem employees, and the referral process.

November 1987, Fourth Annual Conference for Personnel Administration, Auburn University at Montgomery, Montgomery, AL Made Conference presentation on the Employee Assistance Program for Participants of the Personnel Administration Conference. An overview of EAP was given as well as how to identify workers with personal problems that could possibly affect their on the job performance.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Facilitator/planner for Governor's Task Force on Domestic Violence and Abuse
- Licensed and Ordained Baptist Minister
- Co-Pastor of GAP Fellowship Church, Inc in Alexander City, AL

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Office of the Governor

BOB RILEY GOVERNOR

February 1, 2005

Mr. John Houston Post Office Box 65 Coosada, Alabama 36020

Dear John.

By this letter I hereby appoint you Acting Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Your appointment is effective immediately. I understand your social security number is

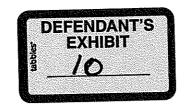
Thank you for your willingness to serve in my Administration. I am confident that you will render a valuable service to the citizens of Alabama.

Sincerely.

Bob Riley Governor

cc: Tommy Flowers Dannie Shockley Becca Crawford Toby Roth

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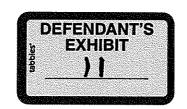
RETARDATION, ET AL,

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The Deposition of Otha Dillihay, Sr.

Hampton Inn 822 Gervais Street Columbia, South Carolina Saturday, June 7, 2008 9:45 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.

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By: H.E. Nix, Jr., Esq.

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Also Present: Joan Faulk Owens Karen Lynn Hubbard

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1	applied. I said that that's what I was going	1	Q. Just bear with me, though. Okay?
2	to do when I got the announcement in my hand	2	A. Yes, sir.
3	before I read it and there was no clause in	3	Q. This is important.
4	it, so I would have applied immediately.	4	Now, assume that Mike Mathis looked at
5	Q. All right. You would get the announcement and	5	your application and your qualifications.
6	apply. Now, in the normal course of things,	6	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
7	where would you send an application to on a	7	When you apply When a person applies for a job and it's clear that they're going to need
8	job like this?	8	substitution in order to get that job, do they
9	MR. MOZINGO: Let me just object to	9	have to make a request for substitution in the
10	the form of the question.	10	application or does that come later?
11	Obviously, we contend there was	11	A. They don't have to request it.
12	no normal course of things. So	12	Q. They do not?
13	if you want to try to ask her	13	A. No, sir.
14	what she how she thinks she	14	Q. How does it come about that a person is
15	would go about applying, I think	15	considered for substitution?
16	that would be a different	16	A. You fill out the application, and you fill it
17	question.	17	out as completely as you can. And when Mike
18	Q. Do you know that mike Mathis was the person	18	graded those applications, he would have
19	A. That accepted the applications.	19	looked at my application and he would have
20	Q. That's right. Do you know him?	20	figured up how many years of experience I had
21	A. Very well.	21	in personnel.
22	Q. How do you know Mike Mathis?	22	Q. All right.
23	A. He's the Personnel Director at Partlow	23	A. That's what he would have done.
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Q. Did the South Carolina Leadership Institute specifically have Human Resource seminars?

I don't recall exactly what they -- Human Resources was part of the training program. I don't know which ones, what their curriculum consisted of, but I do recall in those programs studying Human Resource Management.

Was the South Carolina Leadership Institute similar to Leadership South Carolina in the way that the leadership program was formatted or conducted? What I am getting at is I have participated in leadership programs too, and at least the ones that I've participated in you may have an individual from a certain industry or government agency come speak about the needs affecting whether it be the state or---

A. No. It was a little more involved than that. We get case studies, we had reports we had to complete, we had projects that we worked on. We had professors who came down from Harvard and other universities including the University of South Carolina. This was a course curriculum.

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- The Leadership Institute?
- Well, now there is South Carolina Executive . Institute and then there is Leadership South Carolina.
- But the Executive Institute actually had a course Q. curriculum?
  - Yes. I believe they both did.
  - Q. You believe they both did?
  - A.
- Did Leadership South Carolina have Human Resource courses or seminars?
- Again, I don't recall their curriculum specifically, but I do recall taking course work in Human Resources
- Besides those two entities that you have mentioned, have you attended any other leadership training programs?
- Yes. Well, Project Blueprint, that was one also as a member of the American Association of Health Service Executives. I have attended numerous seminars on Human Resource and Hospital Management, Budgeting, Finance.
- So you feel like you have a lot of knowledge in the area of Human Resources?
- It depends on what day you ask that question, Mr. Mozingo.
  - I'm asking it today, Saturday, June 7, 2008.

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 I feel myself adequately prepared to hold the position of Chief Human Resource Officer for the school district that I work for. I feel that I am fully qualified.

- And that is your present capacity, Human Resource Officer?
  - Chief Human Resource Officer, yes.
- Richland County, explain to me how the school system is organized. I am not familiar like with the District One concept. Richland County is where Columbia is located, correct?
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- Explain to me then generally how the school system in this county is organized.
  - A. Our system at Richland One?
- No. I want the big picture of the school system so I will understand where Richland One fits in the big picture.
- I think first you have to have an understanding of Columbia. If we are talking about the Statistical Metropolitan Area that involves Columbia, not just talking

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about those areas within the city limits. The SMA of Columbia encompasses Lexington, Saluda, Eastover, Pellon, a lot of different areas around what we know as Columbia. In Richland County there are several school districts. Richland County School District One is the largest of those school districts. It comprises of 50 schools from K through 12, adult programs, career development programs, those types of things.

We have over 23,000 students, we have approximately over four thousand employees, 2,200 teachers, and the balance of that is in support staff being operated by a Board of School Commissioners who is elected both at large and on a district basis throughout the county.

And Richland Two is a school district that if you took Columbia and took the city part of Columbia, that would be Richland One, and then if you took, say, from what are some of the outlying areas going back towards the Winnsboro city limit lines would be Richland Two, and then if you go to the west you have Lexington Four and Five, and then you also have a small combined district that was part of a planned unit development exercise from some time ago that is called Lexington-Richland and they have a number.

So you have got these school districts that kind of handle the periphery, and then you have got school districts that handles all of the schools that are sort of

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- Q. Were you involved in determining the necessary skills and aptitude for that position?
- A. I was aware of it. I left that up to our personnel people.
  - Q. What did you leave up to the personnel people?
- A. Well, I wanted, one of things we wanted them to do was compare like positions in other jurisdictions, see what they would do and then tell us how that would fit with the State's personnel system, how it should be designed.

(Plaintiffs' Exhibit No. 41 was pre-marked for identification.)

Q. Let me show you what's been marked Plaintiffs' Exhibit 41. Let me show you what's been marked Plaintiffs' 41. I will represent to you that this is a memorandum letter from Henry Ervin to John Houston proposing the creation of the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager position. It's dated June 14, 2005, and if you look on the next page, according to this, you were copied, or you would have received a copy of this. Did you receive a copy of it?

- A. Idon't know.
  - Q. Have you seen Plaintiffs' Exhibit 41 before?
  - A. I don't know. I may have. I am not sure.

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- Q. You cannot recall?
- A. No. sir.
- Q. I am going to give you an opportunity to read over Plaintiffs' 41. And this is my question for you when you finish reading over it: This memorandum letter gives reasons for the creation of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, okay, and I want you to read it for yourself and see what those reasons are. And let me know when you are done.
  - A. (Reading document.)

(Break at 1 p.m.)

(Back on the record at 1:05 p.m.)

13 BY MR. MOZINGO:

- Q. When we had left off, Mr. Dillihay, I had asked you if you would read Plaintiffs' 41 for me.
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Have you read that exhibit?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Do you agree with me that that exhibit appears to give reasons for the creation of the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager?
  - A. Yes
- Q. Do you know of any additional reasons to support the creation of that position other than those set forth in Plaintiffs' Exhibit 41?

COLUMBIA TRANSCRIPTS, INC. 803/356-1990 800/923-8899 A. Yes.

Q. Tell me what they are.

A. There were two that were identified fairly early

on. One was as we look to the makeup and organization of the Human Resources Department, that organizational structure appeared to be a little flat, and by flat I meant as far as chain of command was concerned. Having people trained and addressed in authority to take over in times of shortages or emergencies or what have you.

Secondly, looking forward, I think I shared with you earlier we did an analysis of our employee base and realized that a huge percentage of the Department's employee base was retirement eligible at that particular time. I don't recall what the percentage was, but it was a large double digit number of those people who were eligible. Mr. Ervin, who was the H.R. Director, happened to be one of those people. Mr. Ervin was, in my opinion, eligible to retire, eligible to retire on age and he may have been eligible on length of service. I knew that he had some health issues, I knew that he lived in Tuscaloosa and was wanting to get closer to his new wife, and having been retirement eligible, it was, in my opinion, my responsibility to look forward in that organization to see how we would continue operations in that area should Mr. Ervin suddenly not be available to us for whatever

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reason. And that was one of the other components that was used to determine the need to have that level of supervision developed.

Q. So you wanted to lay the groundwork for Mr. Ervin's absence?

 A. I wanted to lay the groundwork for the efficient and continual management of personnel functions.

- Q. When Mr. Ervin left?
- A. When he left?
- O. Correct.
- A. When he left, while he was there, or any of that, but I knew if I have got someone, the same way I plan for everything, I try to put redundancy plans in place and if for some reason he suddenly was not available to us management operations had to continue in that area.
- Q. So one reason for the creation of this position that you knew of back when the idea of creating it was being discussed, was that the Department, you needed preparation for the continuance of the work of the Department upon Mr. Ervin's retirement?
  - A. No. Not upon his retirement.
  - Q. Or Mr. Ervin not being there?
- A. If he is not there we have got to still operate, and I needed to have some assurances that we had an organizational structure that could provide for me those

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Mr. Ervin was retirement eligible, had health issues, lived out of town, a need for some built-in redundancy and overall efficiency of the Department. That is what---

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- A. And a need to create a career development path within the H.R. Department.
  - Q. A need to create a career development path?
- Maybe that's not -- maybe a more well defined career development path, i don't know what all the positions were, but you could start out, say, at a clerk's level and from the clerk you had the head of H.R. In between were several other positions. Those positions weren't necessarily lined out and graded in a promotion and classification process that said you could start at step one and end at step five, and you could come in legitimately if you met all the qualifications and you were successful in being the hired candidate for that, that it would be possible for someone to come to the organization, start at the lower ranks and end up at the higher ranks the same way at the Department our last two Commissioners have done that. They have started out at very low ranks and educated themselves and promoted themselves through the process to Commissioner.
- Q. And I wrote that down. Need to create a career or more well-defined career path. Any other reason?
  - A. If it comes to me, I'll certainly—

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- Q. You'll let me know, right?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Did you have any discussions with Mr. Ervin about the preparation of Plaintiffs' Exhibit 41?
- A. I don't recall having any. I had general discussions as you see in the memo about the various elements within that, but I don't recall one that was specifically related to the development of this document.
  - Q. The reasons that you have just given me---
  - A, Yes
- Q. —that I have written down here, go over them again any time you want, the reasons that I have written down, did you ever share those reasons with Mr. Ervin prior to the creation of Plaintiffs' Exhibit 41?
- A. I don't recall. I certainly would have shared some of those. I am not certain that I would have shared all of them. I am particularly clear on the fact that I did not discuss with him his health issues personally, although I was aware of them. But I did not want him to feel that in any way we were moving to get him out of the organization or wanted him to feel uncomfortable in any way. So we had generally broad discussions about the creation of this position, some of my reasoning, some of the Commissioner's reasoning in wanting to establish this position and some of the benefits that would be derived as

COLUMBIA TRANSCRIPTS, INC. 803/356-1990 800/923-8899 a result of having that position.

- Q. Do you recall any specific discussions with
   Mr. Ervin about the creation of that position—
  - A. I don't recall any specific discussions.
- Q. Let me finish my question. Do you recall any specific discussions with Mr. Ervin about the creation of that position prior to his preparing Plaintiffs' Exhibit 41?
- A. I don't recall any specific discussions that I had with him.
- Q. Do you recall any specific discussions with Mr. Ervin about the creation of that position after his preparing Plaintiffs' Exhibit 41?
  - A. I don't recall any specific discussion, no, str.
- Q. So as we sit here today, you, Otha Dillihay, cannot recall any specific discussions with Henry Ervin about the creation of the Assistant Personnel Department Manager?
  - A. Not specifically, no, sir.
- Q. Any recollection that you have of discussions with Mr. Ervin about the creation of that position would be recollections in general?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Is that correct?
  - A. Yes, sir.

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- Q. But you cannot recall when those discussions would have occurred?
- A. I not only cannot recall when, I can't recall the specific content of the discussions themselves.
- Q. Mr. Dillihay, help me out if you will about in walking me through the process of the creation of a new position with Mental Health. I want to make sure I understand this process and make sure I'm clear on it. The creation of this new job of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager, was it proposed by you or Mr. Ervin or by someone else?
  - A. I don't recall.
- Q. When a new job is proposed, is it generally proposed from within the Department where the job may be desired or is it generally proposed somewhere else in the management pyramid we've discussed?
- A. I really don't recall how we did it in Alabama specifically, but I am sure that new job requests came up both internally, they also came up as a matter of course of the political process between the Mental Health authorities in the community and the Department. They may see a need for a specific type of position. They also were created by the affirmation and awarding of various grants that the Department received. We could write a grant for a particular endeavor and a result of that grant funding

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During your employment with Mental Health, did the position of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager ever receive any grant funding -- let me ask it a better

Did the Department ever receive any grant funding that necessitated or required the creation of that position?

- I don't recall any.
- And you do not know who proposed the creation of O. this job, that being the Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager.
  - A. No. sir. Not specifically.
  - Q. Could it have been you?
- I don't recall. As I said, I don't recall who did it. We had a lot of discussion about the Department, how it was set up. When that decision was made and who actually said I think we ought to create this position, I don't recall who did it. And keep in mind these were conversations that have been going on through the course of my employment.
  - Q. But, for the record, you do not recall if you

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could have been the person who proposed the creation of this position?

- I don't recall specifically, no, sir.
- Q. Who do you believe proposed it?
- I don't recall. I don't know. It could have been John, Henry, me, June. I don't know.
- Q. But for this position to be created at some point in that process, it's my understanding that you as Assistant Commissioner of the Administrative Division had to approve that creation.
- Well, I don't think I approved the creation. What I did was make recommendations to the Commissioner for the creation of that position. The Commissioner had the appointing authority for Central Office, not the Associate for Admin.
- Q. Since you can't recall, maybe let's work around some assumptions and see if this helps any. Let's assume Henry Ervin had the idea for the position. Okay? Assuming Henry Ervin had the idea, would be approach you first about his idea and get your approval or would he approach someone else?
  - I don't know. I have no idea.
  - Do you know if he approached you first? O.
  - No. I don't know. A.
  - When you were working for the Department of

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Mental Health did Henry Ervin ever propose the creation of a new position?

- A new position? Α.
- Q. Correct.

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- When you say propose? Α.
- Correct.
- Did he get I don't know. I don't know. I mean there are thousands of personnel actions that went across my desk over the course of that time, so I don't recall specifically which ones he would have been directly involved in. Again, if it were something that was created as a result of something external to the organization like a grant award, it might look like Henry proposed it, but it was a part of a process.
- Q. But when I say proposed the creation of a new position, am I being ambiguous there, does that have more than one meaning to you?
  - Creation of a new position?
  - Of a new position. Ö.
- A. Yes. It is an ambiguous term. You could be promoted from one position to another doing similar work, but because of the additional duties we may have to create a new position for you to assume a salary and grade that would be commensurate with your new duties. That would be the creation of a new job. We would have to get a position

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number, we would have to go through the process of doing it. So as I said, many, many positions were created in that Department and dissolved within that Department given the ongoing cost and review of what was needed to make the Department function.

- But you did testify that during your tenure with the Department that many positions were created?
  - I would imagine that they were.
  - Q. Well, that's what you just said.
- Well, we had like, I think, about six thousand employees. I don't recall how many, but I would imagine there were are a lot of positions that were created throughout that Department.
- During your tenure with the Department, did Henry Ervin ever propose the creation of a new position?
  - I thought I just answered that.
- You didn't. Q.
- I didn't? A.
- Q.

Let me answer it again. As a part of the Α process, and Henry Ervin being the Director of Human Resources, those processes would bubble up and emanate through his position. On paper, if you look, it will look as if Henry Ervin is recommending for approval to the Commissioner that this new position be created. I don't

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1	Assistant Personnel Manager, Plaintiffs'	1	an announcement and looking at a job spec
2	Exhibit 46 would have served as the basis	2	and seeing that it's a major difference in
3	for the preparation of the job	3	terms of variations.
4	announcement?	4	Q. Okay. I'm not sure I understand your
5	MR. NIX: I object to the form.	5	answer. And I'm not even sure if it's
6	A. It could have.	6	A. I don't
7	Q. Well, did it?	7	Q responsible to ask, so let me ask it
8	MR. NIX: Object to the form.	8	again. Other than preferences, can
9	A. I'm almost certain that parts of that was	9	anything else vary between the job
10	on the announcement.	10	announcement and the job specification?
11	Q. Can you vary - Can the announcement vary	11	A. First of all, I don't do these on a regular
12	from the job specification?	12	basis; okay? I don't develop the
13	A. Yes.	13	announcements on a regular basis. I review
14	Q. It can?	14	them for content. And I don't necessarily
15	A. Yes.	15	go back and try to compare and see is it
16	Q. In what way?	16	meeting everything that's on the job spec
17	A. Well, there are some things on the	17	as opposed to what's on the announcement.
18	announcement that are not on here that	18	I generally look over it and that's it.
19	would be part of the announcement that's	19 20	Q. Is it your testimony that other than preferences the job specification is
20	not on the job spec. Preferences, the	21	allowed to vary from the job announcement?
21	experience factor. I'm not real certain	22	A. I didn't say that.
22 23	that that's not on there, but that could be another factor.	23	Q. Well, I'm asking is that your testimony?
23	another factor.	200	Q. Woll, I'll doming to that your toolarday.
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1	Q. Anything else?	1	A. I said I think I said specifically that
2	A. That's about it.	2	preferences was the thing that I remember
3	Q. So preferences and experience can vary	3	as being added to the announcement that
4	between the job announcement and the job	4	might not be on the job specification.
5	specification; is that correct?	5	Q. And you did. And I wrote that down. And
6	A. The preference can. I take it back on the	6	I'm trying to find out other than
7	qualifications and the experience because	7	preferences can anything else vary between
8	it's it's on the job spec and it must be	.8	the job announcement and the job specification?
9	on the announcement too.	9 10	MR. NIX: And let me object to the
10	Q. So the preference can vary; is that	11	form because it's been asked
11	correct?  A. Well, you can have your preference in terms	12	and he answered it.
12 13	of putting that on the announcement, yes.	13	MR. MOZINGO: No, he hasn't.
14	You don't have a preference on the spec	14	MR. NIX: Yeah, he did.
15	itself.	15	MR. MOZINGO: He hasn't.
16	Q. Okay: Can the experience vary?	16	MR. NIX: He did.
17	A. Not from the job spec itself.	17	MR, MOZINGO: He hasn't answered
18	Q. Other than preferences, can anything else	18	can anything else. That is
19	vary between the job announcement and the	19	the question and that's
20	job specification?	20	why I'm asking it.
21	A. I don't know if you want to vary too much,	21	MR. NIX: He's only answered it
22	but I can't say for certain that you're	22	three or four times, Flynn.
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personnel office?

A. Yes.

Q. Where?

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Page 267 Page 265 A. Planning and staff development. he felt more than one person should be 1 Q. Was that before you became Departmental 1 2 asking questions. You know, in other 2 Personnel Manager? 3 words, it should be more participatory from 3 A. No. In fact, I was personnel manager at 4 the interview panel. 4 that time. Q. Anything else you recall about that one 5 5 Q. Where was the office of planning personnel 6 criticism? б and staff located? 7 A. And probably the other piece I remember 7 A. The first office that I remember was 135 specifically had to do with the questions 8 8 South Union. The second one was Interstate not being connected to the KSAs. 9 9 10 Q. And can you please explain what a KSA is? 10 Q. But it was located here in Montgomery? A. Knowledge, skills and abilities. In other 11 11 words, the questions should be coinciding. A. Yeah. 12 12 Q. Did Marilyn Benson ever work in any of the When you set them up, there should be a 13 13 department's health care facilities? question that relates to a particular 14 14 A. She worked in community mental health 15 knowledge, skill and ability on the 15 centers. She -- You mean one of our state 16 assessment sheet. 16 facilities is what you're talking about? Q. Back in 2004 you had three Personnel 17 17 Q. Yes, sir. Specialists III working under you in the 18 18 A. Other than going to the facilities in the central personnel office; correct? 19 19 20 20 Q. As part of her central personnel 21 Q. And the three were Marilyn Benson, Joan 21 Owens and Lynn Hubbard; correct? responsibilities --22 22 A. Yeah. Uh-huh (positive response). 23 23 A. Yes. Page 268 Page 266 Q. - did she -- she would have worked or gone Q. And all three answered to you; correct? 1 1 2 to ---A. That's correct. 2 A. Yes. Q. Did all three assist you in the performance 3 3 Q. - the facilities; correct? of your duties and functions? 4 4 A. All three performed duties that I asked 5 A. Yes. 5 Q. My question is, then, did Marilyn Benson 6 them to perform in terms of what their 6 ever work as -- work in the capacity as a roles were. And basically that was all 7 7 personnel manager at any Department of different because, you know, everybody has 8 8 Mental Health facility? 9 got a skill level that you try to play 9 A. Well, we all rotated for a period of three 10 10 months to those facilities that -- when we Q. I understand. What was Marilyn Benson's 11 11 were looking at consolidating. That was 12 skill level? 12 Greil and Tarwater. So we had like a A. I think the classification system in 13 13 three-month schedule that we were working. general, her knowledge of the system in 14 14 That included me, Joan, Lynn, Marilyn, general, because she had been in central 15 15 Suzanne Bledsoe, Rebecca Taylor. We all office longer than anybody else and just 16 16 rotated back and forth because everybody knew the players and knew the system, wrote 17 17 had a skill level that we were performing 18 well. 18 Q. Had Marilyn Benson ever worked anywhere at those facilities. 19 19 Q. Did Marilyn Benson ever work in the 20 with mental health besides central

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capacity of personnel manager at either

A. Personnel manager? No. Not in the

Greil or Tarwater?

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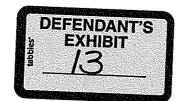
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5 DEFENDANT'S EXHIBIT INDEX	5
6	6 JOAN OWENS
1 Internet Use Policy 8	7 The witness, after having first been duly
2 Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager 100	8 affirmed to speak the truth, the whole truth and
8 announcements 9 3 6/16/06 Proposal to Conduct a Wage and 115	9 nothing but the truth testified as follows:
Classification Study	10 EXAMINATION
10 4 11/30/07 Job Classification Structure - 117	11 BY MR. NIX:
11 Final Report	12 Q. Would you state your name for the record,
12 5 6/30/05 Exempt Selection Procedure 178 13 6 EEOC Charge filed by Joan Owens 210	13 please.
14 7 7/10/06 letter to Joan Owens from Lula Bell 213	14 A. Joan Faulk Owens.
15 8 Undated letter to Emanuel Smith, Esquire 215 from Joan Owens	15 Q. What is your birthday, Ms. Owens?
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9 Undated letter to Bernice 217 17 Williams-Kimbrough from Joan Owens	
18 10 Attachment to Joan Owens' submission for 219	17 Q. What is your job?
reconsideration	18 A. Personnel Specialist III.
11 Notice of Intent to Reconsider for Joan 220	19 Q. And where do you work?
20 Owens 21 12 Dismissal and Notice of Rights for Joan 227	20 A. Department of Mental Health, State of Alabama.
21 12 Dismissal and Notice of Rights for Joan 221 Owens	21 Q. In what department?
22 13 Announcement Log for 2005 229	22 A. Personnel, human resources.
13 Announcement Log for 2005 229	23 Q. How long have you worked in the personnel or

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1	human resources department at Mental Health	1	that time you did, you ask the witness whether
2	central office?	2	at the conclusion of this deposition after our
3	MR. MOZINGO: Just the central	3	court reporter, Ms. Green, types it up and has
4	office?	4	it finished and everything, whether you want
5	MR. NIX: Yeah.	5	to read it and sign it after making certain
6	Q. Well, now, I know that you've been back and	6	clerical corrections if there are any clerical
7	forth to some places; isn't that right?	7	corrections to be made, or you may waive the
8	A. Yes, sir. I began my work at central office	8	right to do that. And if you waive the right,
9	in 1999, and this is 2008.	9	then the deposition will simply be used as is
10	Q. Before that, you were at a couple of	10	without your reviewing it.
11	facilities doing personnel?	11	MR. MOZINGO: Waive it.
12	A. Before that, I was Personnel Director at Greil	12	A. Waive.
13	Hospital for six months, and before that I was	13	Q. Okay. You waive that. Thank you very much.
14	Personnel Specialist at J. S. Tarwater in	14	(Defendant's Exhibit 1 was marked for
15	Wetumpka for eight, nine years.	15	identification.)
16	Q. And you are the Joan Faulk Owens that is a	16	Q. Let me show you Defendant's Exhibit Number 1,
17	plaintiff one of the plaintiffs in Owens	17	please, ma'am. I'll just ask you to tell me
18	and Hubbard versus the Alabama Department of	18	what that is for the record.
19	Mental Health and Mental Retardation and four	19	A. That is saying that I will only use the
20	individuals, Commissioner John Houston,	20	Internet on my computer at work for business
21	Mr. Henry Ervin, Mr. Otha Dillihay, and	21	purposes.
22	Ms. Marilyn Benson?	22	Q. Okay. And is that your signature down there?
23	A. Yes, I am.	23	A. Yes, it is.
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1	Q. And that's the case we're here about today.	1	Q. What is the date of that signature?
2	And I want to ask you some questions,	2	A. January 27th, 2000.
3	Ms. Owens, about the case. Okay?	3	MR. MOZINGO: Let me make this
4	A. Yes, sir.	4	statement for the record.
5	Q. If you don't understand anything that I ask	5	Obviously no objection regarding
6	you, please just let me know, ask me to	6	the exhibit, but Exhibit 1
7	rephrase it or whatever. I'll be glad to.	7	speaks for herself, so I
8	A. Yes, sir.	8	mean, it speaks for itself.
9	Q. No reason for you to have to try to answer a	9	So to the extent her
10	question you do not understand. I don't want	10	testimony may be adding to
11	you to do that, so please tell me if you don't	11	Exhibit 1, it does speak for
12	understand it.	12	itself and she was simply
13	A. Yes, sir.	13	paraphrasing.
14	Q. If I can explain a question better, I'll try	14	MR. NIX: I was just asking her
15	to do that. I just want us to have a meeting	15	understanding, but that's fine.
16	of the minds about what we're talking about.	16	Q. Let me just read a few parts of this for you.
17	Okay?	17	Okay? It says something about a policy,
18 19	A. Yes, sir.	18	Policy 40-10, Internet Use. Have you read
114	Q. Now, this is a deposition that's taken	19	that policy, the policy that relates to
1			Internet week ( ) A very week 119
20	pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil	20	Internet use? Do you recall?
20 21	Procedure. Back in the middle ages when I	21	A. I'm sure I have at some point in time.
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Page 65 A. I feel that I have been a very good employee, 1 2 a very good employee, and I am embarrassed of the fact that my employer did not want me in 3 4 that position because of my race, not because of something that I did. I have done nothing, 5 6 sir, and it is embarrassing to me that someone 7 would treat me that way. Q. All right. Is that your complete answer? 9 A. Yes. 10

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- Q. Now, let me ask you this. Let's just assume for a minute, okay, that the process is done over completely. We're just making that assumption. Okay? I'm not agreeing that it should be. Okay? I'm just saying, let's you and I in this discussion assume that the process of developing the specs, announcing the job, grading the applications, doing all the other stuff that has to be done to get the right person for the job, if that's going to be done all over again, okay, can you go through with me, you know, what you would do
- assuming that there is a substitution clause. 22 .
- A. I would have filled out an application and 23

1 Developmental Center.

O. Do you believe Mike Mathis is a good personnel director?

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- A. Yes. Q. Do you believe he's a fair person as a 5 6 personnel director?
  - A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Do you believe he's qualified to grade applications for a job of this type? 9
- A. Yes. 10
  - Q. Do you believe that he would honestly evaluate the applications for the job once they were received by him?
- 14 A. Yes.

I'm not contending that the interview process was not done correctly. What I am contending, I was denied the opportunity to even apply, sir. I'm not contending anything that Mike did was wrong or the interview process was wrong. I'm contending that I never was able to even get to that point.

- Q. I know. 22
- A. Okay. 23

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O. Just bear with me, though. Okay?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. This is important.

Now, assume that Mike Mathis looked at your application and your qualifications. When you apply -- When a person applies for a job and it's clear that they're going to need substitution in order to get that job, do they have to make a request for substitution in the application or does that come later?

- A. They don't have to request it. 11
- 12 Q. They do not?
- A. No. sir. 13
- 14 Q. How does it come about that a person is considered for substitution? 15
  - A. You fill out the application, and you fill it out as completely as you can. And when Mike graded those applications, he would have looked at my application and he would have figured up how many years of experience I had
- 21 in personnel.
- Q. All right. 22
  - A. That's what he would have done.

applied. I said that that's what I was going 1 2

to do when I got the announcement in my hand 3 before I read it and there was no clause in

it, so I would have applied immediately. 4 5

Q. All right. You would get the announcement and apply. Now, in the normal course of things, where would you send an application to on a iob like this?

> MR. MOZINGO: Let me just object to the form of the question. Obviously, we contend there was no normal course of things. So if you want to try to ask her what she -- how she thinks she would go about applying, I think that would be a different question.

- 17 Q. Do you know that Mike Mathis was the person -18
- A. That accepted the applications. 19
- Q. That's right. Do you know him? 20
- 21 A. Very well.
- Q. How do you know Mike Mathis? 22
- A. He's the Personnel Director at Partlow 23

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Page 69 Page 71 Q. Now, as of November 15, 2005, how many years also have a business school with Manpower 1 1 of experience did you have in personnel? Training Center in Montgomery. 2 2 MR. MOZINGO: Are you asking with Q. Can you tell me what the business school is? 3 3 the State or in her career? A. Well, I attended from August of '65 through 4 4 July of '66, and it was in business. And it 5 MR. NIX: Well, with the State 5 was a school that the government and state --6 6 first. 7 I don't know what type school that was. But 7 MR. MOZINGO: Okay. it didn't cost money to go, because I couldn't A. I came on board December the 31st of 1990. 8 8 afford to go to another school. So I was able 9 9 Q. All right. to go to that, and I completed that. 10 10 A. Sir, I'm so nervous, I can't figure. I think O. Okay. Did you get a certificate of any kind? around 15 years at that point in time with the 11 11 A. Yes, I did. I graduated from that. 12 12 O. And they gave you a certificate of completion? Q. When did you come into a personnel position of 13 13 A. Completion, yes, sir. the type necessary to be allowed for 14 14 O. And what did you learn in that course? substitution? 15 15 A. Well, we had business English, business math, A. When I came to work with the State, but I also 16 16 business law, business machines, speed was the Personnel Director of Elmore Community 17 17 reading. I can't think of any more. 18 18 Hospital. Q. When was that? You had other private 19 O. Okay. You do not consider that, though, a 19 bachelor's degree, do you? experience is what you're saying? 20 20 A. Yes, sir. A. No, sir. 21 21 O. So in terms of the educational requirements, 22 Q. Okay. Is private experience counted in the 22 clearly you did not meet the bachelor's 23 substitution aspect of the thing? 23 Page 72 Page 70 degree? A. Yes, sir, I would count it. I was a personnel 1 1 A. I did not have the four-year degree. director. 2 2 Q. So with Mike seeing that, okay, with Mike 3 3 O. All right. So Mike would take your experience -- look at your experience, and he Mathis seeing that, then what would he do? 4 4 A. He would have taken my years of experience and would say, okay, Ms. Owens has X number of 5 5 substituted -- at that point in time, they had years of experience in personnel? 6 6 changed the substitution clause from one year 7 A. Yes. 7 of experience to one year of education, they 8 Q. Now, are there any parameters about the type 8 changed it to two years of experience to one of experience you have to have in order for it 9 9 year of education. So I would have had to to be counted as substitution? 10 10 have had eight years of experience, which A. It would need to -- if the job is in 11 11 personnel, it would need to be in personnel. 12 12 clearly I've got. O. To overcome the four-year degree? It would be -- it would need to be the same 13 13 type. You couldn't use nursing experience for 14 A. Yes, sir. 14 a personnel job. O. All right. 15 15 A. Then I would have had to have had six more Q. Okay. So he would determine that you had X 16 16 years, because I think the application asked number of years in personnel? 17 17 for extensive which is, I think, about six 18 18 Q. And he would determine that you did not have a 19 more years. I don't know. But I clearly have 19 enough, sir. I have many years of experience 20 bachelor's degree, right? 20 21 A. True. 21 in personnel. O. What about a master's degree? Do you have a 22 Q. How far did you go in school? 22

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master's degree?

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A. I have a high school education, diploma, and I

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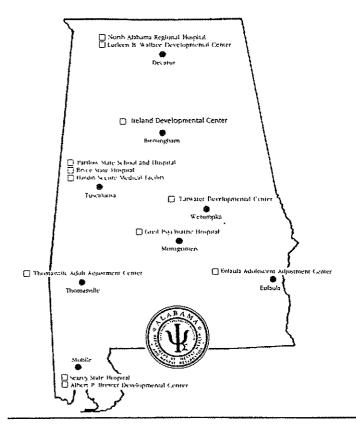
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#### **AVAILABILITY**

Your application will be retained in our non-merit recruitment files for one year, and you will be notified of any vacancies for which you qualify at those facilities in which you express an interest. Please indicate below at which of our facilities you would consider employment. You will only be sent announcements of openings at those facilities which you check. After one year and after each succeeding year, you will need to contact this office and request that your application remain in our active files and/or submit an updated application. Failure to do so will result in your name being removed from our mailing list and your application will be destroyed.

#### LOCATIONS



#### **Mental Iliness Facilities**

- | | Bryce State Hospital Tuscaloosa, AL
- 1 | Searcy State Hospital Mt. Vernon, AL
- | | Eufaula Adolescent Adjustment Center Eufaula, AL
- | | North Alabama Regional Hospital Decatur, AL
- | | Thomasville Adult Adjustment Center Thomasville, AL
- | | | Hardin Secure Medical Facility Tuscaloosa, AL
- I | Greil Psychiatric Hospital Montgomery, AL

#### Mental Retardation Facilities

- | | Partlow State School & Hospital Tuscaloosa, AL
- 1 | Albert P. Brewer Developmental Center Mobile, AL
- | Lurleen B. Wallace Developmental Center Decatur, AL
- | XI I.S. Tarwater Developmental Center Wetumpka, AL
- | | Glenn Ireland Developmental Center Birmingham, AL
- [ | Central Administrative Offices Montgomery, AL

What is the minimum annual salary that you would

consider? negotiable

Are you willing to accept shift work during evening and night hours? Yes | No X |

#### **AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION**

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I hereby authorize the Security Division or Personnel Office of the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation bearing this release or copy thereof, within six (6) months of this date, to obtain any information in your files pertaining to my previous employment, educational records and/or transcripts, arrests and/or conviction records and any medical record reflecting treatment or care for any illness or disability sustained by me within the past three (3) years. I hereby authorize you to release such records or information upon request of the bearer of this release document. The information you supply will be used principally as a basis for an investigation to determine my qualifications, suitability and fitness for employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. I hereby release you as the custodian of such records from any and all liability damages which may result to me, my heirs or family, because of compliance with this authorization and request to release information, or any attempt to comply with it. Should there be any question as to the validity or authenticity of this release, you may contact me as indicated below.

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#### **DEPOSITION OF LYNN HUBBARD**

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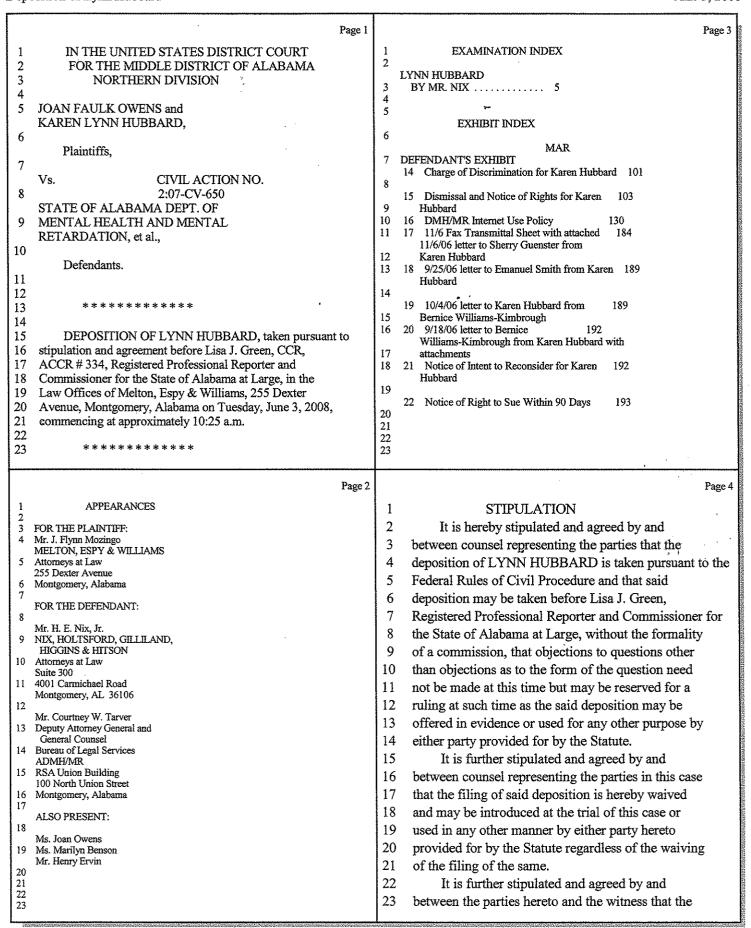
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1	know her maiden name.	1	school class there. Volunteer some
	Q. Do they have children over 19?	2	information.
3	A. She has a child by a previous marriage who	3	Q. What class do you go to?
4	her name is Mimi, and she's mentally disabled.	4	A. Women in Christ.
5	Q. Okay. Did you say his wife's name is Vickie	5	Q. Who teaches that class?
6	or Mimi?	6	A. Vivian somebody.
7	A. Mimi is the daughter. Vickie is his wife.	7	Q. There's so many people over there, it's hard
8	Now, he has children from a previous marriage.	8	to remember. All right. So you attend
9	Q. Are they over 19?	9	Frazer.
10	A. Yes, and there's a bunch of them. They're	10	Are you a member of any organizations or
11	not not all of them are his. He married a	11	entities?
12	woman that had kids, so he ended up with eight	12	A. Huh-uh. (Negative response.) No, sir. I'm
13	kids also.	13	sorry.
	Q. How many of them live around this area?	14	Q. Any clubs?
14	A. Dennis Hubbard is his son, and he lives in	15	A. No, sir.
15	Milibrook or Prattville, one or the other.	16	Q. Just church. Work, church, and home?
16	I'm not sure where.	17	A. Yes.
17		18	Q. What is your birth date?
18	Q. Okay. Keep going just on the children that live in this area that are over 19.	19	A. February 20, 1958.
19		20	Q. And you are the Karen Lynn Hubbard that's the
20	A. His stepdaughter, Barbara.	21	plaintiff in this lawsuit
21	MR. MOZINGO: If you would like for	22	A. Yes, sir.
22	me to have her prepare a list	23	Q that we're here about today; is that right?
23	for you to kind of expedite it,	2.5	Q. = mac word not a say,
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1	I'll be glad to. It's up to	1	A. Yes, sir.
2	you.	2	Q. When did you first become employed with the
3	MR. NIX: That's great if you don't	3	Department of Mental Health?"
4	mind doing that. I mean, I was	4	A. December 31st of 1991.
5	going to ask also about aunts	5	Q. What did you do?
6	and uncles, that kind of stuff.	6	A. I was a Clerk Typist in the Mental Retardation
7	I just want to get a complete	7	division.
8	pretty close family tree so I'll	8	Q. What was your next job?
9	know how to	9	A. The classification actually changed to
10	MR. MOZINGO: Since it's late	10	Administrative Support Assistant in Mental
11	starting and she's apparently	11	Retardation, and then I transferred to the
12	related to every third person in	12	Personnel Office.
13	Montgomery	13	Q. Whendid you transfer to Personnel?
14	MR. NIX: That's true.	14	A. I was only in Mental Retardation a year to two
15	MR. MOZINGO: we'll just do that	15	years. I can't say. I've looked, and I know,
16	to move us along.	16	but I can't I haven't memorized it. I'm
17		17	sorry.
18	Q. Do you attend church anywhere? A. I do.	18	Q. Since '92 or '93
1	1 10	19	A. Yes.
19		20	Q that you transferred?
20	0 4 4 1 1 1 UT C 11	21	A. I would think.
21	1 71 1 1	22	Q. Transferred to the Central Office Personnel?
22	A. I'm not a member, and I've only been going very recently. I'm a member of a Sunday	23	A. Yes, sir.
23	very recently. The a member of a burday	1 ~	

#### Page 17 Page 19 O. Who was your boss then? 1 O. When did you become a Personnel Specialist 1 A. My supervisor was Sue Smitherman. 2 2 Q. What was your job at that time? 3 3 A. July 1st of 2001. 4 A. I was clerical support to the Personnel 4 O. Okäy. 5 Specialist and also to Sue Smitherman if she 5 A. I think it's 2001. 2000, 2001, but I'm going 6 needed anything done. But basically, I did 6 with 2001. technical support for the Personnel 7 7 Q. One. That's your story and you're sticking to 8 Specialist. 8 it. Q. How long did you have that job? 9 9 I have all that information. I just A. I was promoted to Administrative Support 10 wanted to go through it and just kind of get a 10 11 Assistant III ... I don't know what year it 11 ballpark for the --12 12 A. Okay. Q. - for the dates and the lay of the land. 13 Q. Just give me a ballpark. Why don't you do 13 . . Now, there came a time when there was an that? 14 14 announcement for a job called Departmental A. You think that's easy until you get here and 15 15 Assistant Personnel Manager. 16 ask me something. 16 Q. I know. It's not as easy as you think A. Uh-huh. (Positive response.) 17 17 sometimes, is it? Q. Correct? 18 18 A. Butch was already gone. Henry was there. A. Yes. 19 19 MR. ERVIN: '98? '97, '98. 20 20 Q. Now, and by the way, Ms. Hubbard, I want to A. I would be guessing between '96, '97, '98. I 21 make sure that this was on the record, too. 21 don't know. 22 Isn't it correct that yesterday when I asked 22 23 Q. You were put in what position at that time? 23 Ms. Owens questions in a deposition just like Page 18 Page 20 this that you were present for that deposition? A. ASA III. Administrative Support Assistant 1 1 2 2 A. That's correct. 3 Q. And you listened to my questions? 3 Q. Administrative Support Assistant III. All 4 right. 4 A. I did. 5 A. You know what. That's not true. 5 Q. And you heard her answers; isn't that correct? 6 A. I did. 6 O. That's not true? 7 A. I was already an ASA III, I think, when Henry 7 Q. And you heard her say that in the course of the two of you filing complaints with the 8 8 came. I'm sorry. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, that 9 Q. That's all right. 9 you conversed together, talked, compared 10 10 MR. MOZINGO: Just to the best of notes, that sort of thing. Is she correct 11 11 your memory. I mean, it's not a 12 about that? test. 12 Q. It's really not. A. I had disagreements with her in the way that 13 13 she worded things that she said, so can you A. I would say that I was in Personnel maybe 14 14 ask me the question, like, specifically to three to four years when I was promoted, maybe 15 15 what you're referring to? 16 five years, to Administrative Support 16 Q. Well, how about doing it this way. I believe 17 Assistant III. 17 her testimony was that during the course of Q. Okay. 18 18 time when the two of you were preparing to A. I get tangled up with that and my other 19 19 promotion sometimes. 20 file a charge against the Alabama Department 20 Q. What was your next job after Administrative 21 of Mental Health and Mental Retardation 21 Support Assistant III? 22 relative to the job of the Departmental 22 23 Assistant Personnel Manager and the fact that 23 A. Personnel Specialist III.

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MONTGOMERY ALABAMA 36130

STATE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

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## State of Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

NUMBER:

60-22

SUBJECT:

Personnel/Payroll

TITLE:

Job Evaluation Committee

EFFECTIVE: 4/7/89

REVIEWED:

CHANGED: 3/5/05

RESPONSIBLE

OFFICE:

Division of Administration/Personnel

APPROVED:

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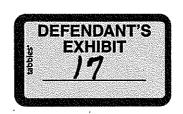
#### I. POLICY:

The Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation will establish a Job Evaluation Committee to maintain its exempt classification and pay structure.

#### II. STANDARDS:

- The Committee will be responsible for making recommendations to the Commissioner on the following issues:
  - a. Revisions to classification specifications.
  - b. Establishment of new job classifications.
  - Salary range adjustments in assigned classifications.
  - d. Substitution of training and experience for established minimum qualification requirements.
- 2. The Committee will consist of nine members. Membership shall include:
  - a. The Department's Personnel Director who shall Chair the committee.
  - b. One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner for Administration or designee.
  - c. One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness.
  - d. One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner for Mental Retardation.
  - e. One member appointed by the Associate Commissioner of Substance Abuse Services.

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- f. One member appointed by the Commissioner for the Office of the Commissioner.
- g. The Associate Commissioner for Mental Illness Services or designee
- h. The Associate Commissioner for Mental Retardation Services or designee
- i. The Associate Commissioner for Substance Abuse Services or designee
- 3. The job evaluation committee shall be appointed or re-appointed for two (2) year terms.
- 4. The committee shall meet at least quarterly or as necessary. .
- 5. Issues to be reviewed by the Committee will be submitted by the Commissioner or by an Appointing Authority through the appropriate Associate Commissioner.
- 6. Issues to be reviewed shall be submitted at least two (2) weeks prior to a scheduled meeting.
- 7. Minutes of the Job Evaluation Committee meeting will be distributed to the Commissioner, Associate Commissioners, and Facility/Office Directors.
- 8. Exempt Classification Pay Distribution Notices will be distributed to Associate Commissioners, Facility Directors, and Facility Personnel Managers upon approval by the Commissioner.

#### MINUTES OF THE JOB EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD July 22, 2005

Members Present:

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Henry Ervin

Kent Hunt John Zeigler Judith Johnston

Eranell Wilson

June Lynn

Also Attending:

Kathleen Brantley

Members Absent:

Otha Dillihay

Paul Bisbee

Committee chairman began the meeting by noting this was the first meeting since the committee has been charged with additional responsibilities of reviewing all positions announced since the implementation of new hiring guidelines.

The first item to be considered was a substitution of experience on Kathy Cason (Rec. Activity Specialist I - North Ala. Regional). There was also an additional request to hire Ms. Cason beyond the minimum steps allowed. It was noted that the Committee does not have that responsibility; it is done solely at the approval of the Commissioner.

The second item: Review of the revised job specifications for the Community Service Specialist series. Old and new specs were handed out for Committee members to compare. It was noted that no change in salary range recommendations were made on the CSS I and CSS II series, however the new qualifications for the CSS III now allow a bachelor's level individual to qualify with experience. Recommendations were made to increase the ranges for the CSS III from range 72 to 74, the CSS IV from range 77 to 78 and the CSS V from 80 to 82. These recommendations were made based upon when funding becomes available. A motion was made to approve the specs as revised. Another motion was made to approve the pay ranges when funding is available. Both motions were seconded and approved. It was also noted that if anyone is hired in the interim, they would be hired at the current pay range.

There was discussion about whether or not a financial analysis had been done before making the proposed salary range increases. It was noted that because these positions are so unique, there are no positions in which to make a comparison.

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Commissioner Houston addressed the group and thanked everyone for their willingness to accept the added responsibility of reviewing all the new positions under the new hiring guidelines. He mentioned two positions that he would like to fill, Fiscal Mgr. IV, and Administrator VII, but he stated that he did not have any intentions of acting on either one of them in the immediate future. He really wanted to get input from the Committee as to what their recommendations would be regarding both positions.

There was discussion about filling any new positions until the beginning of the fiscal year. Eranell Wilson recommended that there be no additions to the already existing deficit.

# Each Committee member was given a list of positions to be considered. Requests were reviewed by facility, starting with Bryce:

All Bryce requests were approved with the exception of the Plant Maintenance Worker. The committee voted and approved to hold this position until the next meeting.

There was discussion about many security officers getting their certifications and leaving the department as soon as they are certified. It was suggested that we come up with a policy that would require them to stay a certain length of time before they were able to transfer somewhere else.

Judith recommended that the facilities provide more detailed information when submitting letters of justification for their positions. She volunteered to work on outlining more specific details which would be useful in helping the committee. It was also noted that it might be necessary to get the facility director on the phone during the actual meetings to answer additional questions that the committee may have regarding the need to replace their positions, particularly if they have been vacant for some time.

The request from Griel for a MH Security Officer I was withdrawn from consideration.

North Alabama Regional's request for a Plant Maintenance Worker was approved.

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Searcy's requests were all approved with the exception of (2) ASA I's, Material Manager II, and (2) Staff Development Specialist I's that were put on hold. There was discussion regarding the Staff Development Specialist positions, and the Staff Dev. Spec. IV was approved.

Taylor Hardin Secure Medical's positions were all approved with the exception of (2) Security Officer positions: (Don Fowler & Roy Swartz).

Central Office positions were all approved. There was discussion regarding the Fiscal Manager IV (Budget Officer), the Administrator VII, and the Assistant Dept.

Personnel Manager positions. There was discussion about announcing the Assistant Dept. Personnel Manager position until the beginning of the fiscal year. Due to the nature of these positions, there was concern about how facilities would perceive announcing new positions at a time when new hiring restrictions are being imposed.

A motion was made and a vote was taken to approve announcing the positions. The discretion on when to announce the Fiscal Mgr. IV and Administrator VII would be left up to the Commissioner. It was voted to delay announcing the Asst. Dept. Personnel Director until the beginning of the fiscal year.

There was discussion about the Contract Office position (Accounting Assistant). Kathleen expressed her concern about whether an individual in this position would be qualified to do fiscal inventory.

There were 12 new positions in Substance Abuse to be considered. Kent mentioned that his entire office was being restructured. Some of the current staff would be able to qualify for the newly created positions. If the individuals were selected to fill the positions, their old positions would be abolished. After lengthy discussion, all the positions were approved.

There was a motion to adjourn until the August meeting.

Minutes submitted by:

Marilyn B. Benson

Minutes approved by:

Henry E. Ervin

# Personnel Specialist III

Job Code: H3000 Pay Range: 75

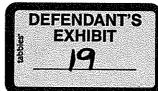
#### Definition:

This is specialized administrative work assisting in the direction of human resource management activities for a mental health facility or at the Central Personnel Office.

Employees in this class assist in the direction of a human resource management program of extensive size, scope and complexity. Employees perform such responsible human resource management activities such as recruitment, selection, placement, and classification and pay, requiring close adherence to rules and regulations of the State Personnel Board and to special federal and state laws and regulations. Other employees participate in assigned phases of personnel work in the Central Personnel Office of the Department. Supervision is exercised over subordinate personnel assistants and/or clerical staff engaged in processing and handling a variety of personnel transactions. Employees work with relative independence making decisions on routine matters, but problems encountered or more difficult work are referred to the immediate supervisor or HR Director who makes assignments, and evaluates work through conferences and reviews of completed tasks.

Examples of Work Performed: (Any one position may not include all of the duties listed, nor do the examples cover all of the duties, which may be performed.)

- Supervises and coordinates recruitment, selection, and placement of personnel
- Supervises and coordinates the processing of various personnel actions to include appointments, demotions, promotions, reclassifications, retirements, transfers, reallocations, and predisciplinary hearings
- Provide technical assistance to department heads/facility directors, associate commissioners, the commissioner and/or HR director regarding various HR related matters
- Announces vacancies and determines if experience and education indicated on applicants meets minimum qualifications
- Confers with supervisors, managers, and other professionals in developing policies, programs, and procedures for effective coordination of HR services
- · Schedules and conducts interviews of candidates



#### Personnel Specialist III Continued

- Confers with state personnel, other agencies within or out of state regarding activities as they relate to HR
- Represent HR and serve on various committees as assigned

#### Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- Knowledge of Federal and state Laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to human resource management
- Knowledge of State Personnel policies, rules, and regulations
- Knowledge of Federal rules and guidelines relating to recruitment, selection, and placement
- Knowledge of interviewing and counseling techniques
- · Ability to plan, organize, direct, and evaluate the work of others
- Ability to read and interpret various federal and state guidelines and regulations
- · Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing
- Ability to oversee, supervise, and/or coordinate various HR activities and functions
- Ability to work independently
- Ability to gather, correlate, and analyze facts and recommend solutions
- Ability to meet, interact, and effectively work with supervisors, associates, division heads, employees, state and local officials, and the general public

#### Qualifications:

Graduation from a four-year college or university with a major in human resource management, business administration, public administration or a related field. Must have extensive (72 months or more) professional personnel management experience in a state agency or equivalent professional personnel management experience. Must also have experience (24 months or more) in a supervisory capacity.

Other directly related education and/or work experience may be substituted for all or part of these basic requirements.

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KATHY E. SAWYER COMMISSIONER

BOS RILEY GOVERNOR

February 3, 2005

# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Ms. Jackie Graham

Deputy Director of State Personnel

FROM:

Henry E. Ervin 月多

Director/ Human Resource Management

DMH/MR

RE:

**Establishing Exempt Positions** 

We are hereby requesting to establish job codes for the following new exempt positions at the ranges as indicated below:

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Title	Job Code	Range	PCO#
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Health Facilities Manager	A3300		8813339
Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager	H5500	80	8813337

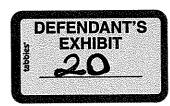
Thank you for your assistance in helping us expedite this request.

HEE/mbb

Jackie Graham, Deputy Director State Personnel

Date:

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#### DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

**RSA UNION BUILDING** 100 N. UNION STREET POST OFFICE BOX 301410 MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130-1410

June 14, 2005



#### M EMORANDUM

TO:

John M. Houston

DMH/MR Acting Commissioner

FROM:

Henry E. Ervin

Director of Human Resources

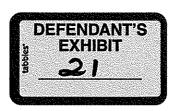
RE:

Dept. Asst. Personnel Manager

Due to recent Consolidation and Closure of DMH/MR facilities, it has become necessary to re-assess overall personnel management functions and devote more energy in developing meaningful HR management programs that positively affect and enhance morale and career development among the departments approximately 3000 employees. As you are aware, Central Office Personnel has expanded its area of responsibility in that we are now responsible for managing all personnel records and all employee transactions In addition, newly created positions (MH for Community Service Employees. Specialists) with the Substance Abuse Division and (Interpreters) with the Deaf Services Division now fall under the HR Management Bureau.

In order to better align classifications that reflect actual duties and responsibilities with appropriate salary ranges, it is being recommended that a Wage and Classification Study be conducted for FY '05. The current antiquated structure has been in place for the past twenty years and has far out lived it's ability to provide the necessary equity and consistency that our pay and classification system needs. This is also an opportunity for us to completely over-haul existing class specifications.

In addition, we will be investigating the possibility of utilizing grant funding, whether federal or other alternative sources to assist us in this effort. It is for these reasons, it is being proposed that a Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager (Range 80) be created. This individual will be fully involved with the Wage and Classification Study, and assist



with the development of a work-force succession plan to address the issues of a projected 30% of the workforce who will be eligible to retire within the next two to three years. This position will also provide direct supervision to all HR office clerical and paraprofessional staff while assisting the Director with the day to day operations and management of other ensuing HR projects. We also feel that the creation of this position will help to facilitate a more hands on approach and foster greater interaction amongst facility directors and personnel managers.

We appreciate your immediate attention in helping us expedite this request. Let us know if you have additional questions or concerns.

HEE/

cc: Otha Dillihay

Assoc. Commissioner/Administration

#### MINUTES OF THE JOB EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEETING **HELD MAY 4, 2005**

May 4, 2005

Members Present: Henry Ervin

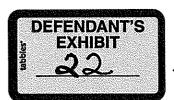
Paul Bisbee Kent Hunt John Zeigler Judith Johnston Eranell Wilson

Henry began the meeting with the request from Partlow requesting reallocation of Harry Vance, Psychological Assistant, Johnny Bodiford, Psychological Assistant, and Susan Davis, Psychological Assistant to Habilitation Treatment Coordinator I. After a discussion of the duties of Habilitation Treatment Coordinator I, Kent Hunt questioned why the Committee had been ask to do a reallocation. Kent said the Committee has not been doing reallocations in the past. Henry asked everyone to look at the agenda, Item III "Modification of JEC Policy "to reflect reallocation as part of the Committees' responsibilities. Henry said he wants all reallocations to be brought before the JEC. Kent Hunt made the motion to reallocate the Psychological Assistants to the classification of Habilitation Treatment Coordinator I. Paul Bisbee seconded and the Committee approved the item.

Henry requested the reallocation of Catheryn Townsend, Mental Health Specialist III to Fiscal Manager III. Henry reported that a desk audit had been completed and her classification warranted it to be changed to Fiscal Manager III. Paul Bisbee and Eranell Wilson said Fiscal Manager III's in the Facilities are much more complex than the duties of the Contract Office. Judith said Fiscal Manager III in Facilities deal with much more than contracts. Kent Hunt asked if another classification would be more appropriate. Henry concurred that the audit did not reflect a Fiscal Manager III.

Henry requested the reallocation of Sheila Grant, Administrator III and Joe Stringer, Administrator III to Administrator IV. Eranell asked whom they reported to, and their job description. After a discussion, Kent made the motion to reallocate and Eranell seconded, the item passed.

Henry recommended to the Committee that substitution of experience for education in the exempt hiring process be change. Presently the substitution is I year of work experience for 1 year of education. The recommended change would be: a. Recommend 2 years of work related experience for 1 year of education earned/achieved b. 8 years of





directly related work experience for required 4 year degree (Bachelor's) Henry said it was the right thing to do. Judith Johnston asked if it would be the same for a Masters. Henry said it would be the same. Eranell made a motion and Paul seconded, the Committee approved the change.

Paul Bisbee brought up the problem of finding Psychological Associates I's. Judith Johnston said we need to look at the series and re-do like the Quality Assurance classification was changed. Paul Bisbee said he would have some one work on changes.

John Zeigler moved to adjourn, Committee adjourned.

Minutes submitted by:



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JOHN HOUSTON

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO FILL A NON-MERIT POSITION EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

JOB TITLE:

Departmental Assistant

05-27 NUMBER:

Personnel Manager

JOB CODE:

H5500

DATE:

9/15/05

SALARY RANGE: 80 (\$46,820- \$71,380)

POS#:

8813339

JOB LOCATION:

Department of Mental Health And Mental Retardation 100 North Union Street Montgomery, Ala. 36130

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Bachelor's degree in Human Resource Management/Personnel Management, Business Administration, Public Administration, or related field. Extensive experience (72 months or more) working in a professional personnel management position, plus experience (24 months or more) in a supervisory capacity. Preference will be given to individuals with:

- > Master's degree in any of the above specified fields of study.
- > Work experience in the governmental/public sector
- > Work experience in a healthcare setting

Assists with day to day operation in planning, organizing, KIND OF WORK: developing, coordinating, and implementing a comprehensive personnel management program for the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Coordinates efforts to include various personnel functions, such as recruitment, selection, job placement, position classification, employee training, performance appraisals, and affirmative action. Research and identify grant funding sources to assist coordinating efforts regarding Wage and Classification Studies. Maintains on-going classification and pay information from governmental agencies and private sector. Advises Director of Human Resources and assists in making recommendations to department heads, administrators, supervisors, and employees on rules, regulations, and proper personnel procedures concerning such matters as performance evaluations, promotions, demotions, transfers, and dismissals. Conducts and/or attends staff meetings, state personnel meetings, or personnel officer meetings. Gathers information and prepares budget for the Central Office Personnel Division and monitors expenditures. Coordinates various supervisory training for departmental Personnel Officers and makes oral presentations as needed.

Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager #05-27 Page 2-

Serves in the absence of the Director of Human Resources by providing assistance regarding personnel and administrative functions and serves on various committees and task forces as assigned. Supervises clerical and para-professional staff assigned to Human Resources and conducts performance evaluations.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES: Thorough knowledge of Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation rules and regulations. Thorough knowledge of classification, recruitment, selection, placement, employee training, and staff development. Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of public personnel administration, regarding applicable rules, regulations, policies, and ability to interpret state and federal rules and regulations. Ability to plan, organize, direct, and evaluate the work of others. Thorough knowledge of interviewing techniques. Ability to advise and make recommendations regarding employment selection procedures. Ability to make presentations and convey ideas and opinions effectively, both orally and in writing. Ability to gather, correlate, and analyze facts, and recommend solutions. Ability to provide technical assistance in the area of expertise. Ability to research and identify grants and funding resources. Ability to conduct and coordinate various meetings and chair committees. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with departmental personnel at all levels and with employees in other departments as well as the general public.

METHOD OF SELECTION: Applicants will be rated on the basis of an evaluation of their training, experience and education, and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications mentioned above. All relevant information is subject to verification.

<u>HOW TO APPLY:</u> Use an official application for Professional Employment (Exempt Application), which may be obtained from this office, other Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation facility Personnel Offices, or at <u>www.mh.state.al.us</u>. Only work experience detailed on the application form will be considered. Additional sheets, if needed, should be in the same format as the application. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of an official application.

#### ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO:

W.D. Partlow Developmental Center

Attention: Mr. Mike Mathis (Personnel Director)

1700 University Blvd.

Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35406-1730

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS: September 30, 2005.

COPIES of licenses/certifications if applicable should be forwarded/furnished during interview, an official copy of your academic transcripts must be forwarded by the college or university to the personnel office at the above address.

# DEPARTMENTAL ASSISTANT PERSONNEL MANAGER ASSESSMENT FOR February 28, 2006

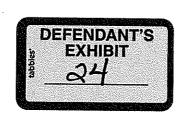
Panelists: Eranell Wilson, Susan Chambers, Kent Hunt,

& David, Bennett, Doug Lunsford

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Wilson	32	24	2
Chambers	27	21	10
Hunt	32	26	8
Lunsford	35	27	9
Bennett	38	28	10
Total	164	126	41
Average	32.8	25.2	8.2

Ranking of Candidates:

Marilyn Benson
 Commie Carter
 Danielle Coteat





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STATE OF ALABAMA

# DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

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JOHN M. HOUSTON COMMISSIONER

March 3, 2006

Ms. Marilyn B. Benson 1078 16th Place Alexander City, Alabama 35010

Dear Marilyn,

We are pleased to confirm your appointment to the classification of Departmental Assistant Personnel Manager in the Central Office, Bureau of Human Resources Management. This appointment will be effective March 4, 2006.

Your rate of pay will be semi-monthly (Salary Range 80, Step 10). In accordance with State Personnel Procedures, you will be required to serve a minimum six-month probationary period.

Congratulations on your new promotion. It will be a pleasure working with you in this capacity. I am confident that you will demonstrate the same dedication and leadership as you have always shown.

Henry E. Ervin

Director of/Human Resources

DEFENDANT'S EXHIBIT

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KATHY E. SAWYER COMMISSIONER

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February 3, 2005

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FROM:

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Director/ Human Resource Management

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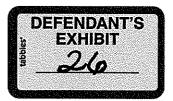
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Jackie Graham, Deputy Director State Personnel

Date:

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# ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION REQUEST TO FILL EXEMPT POSITION ON STAFFING PLAN

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#### Mathis, Mike

From: Mathis, Mike

Sent: Wednesday, October 05, 2005 5:07 PM

To: Houston, John

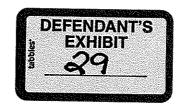
Subject: Dept. Assistant Personnel Manager, Application Assessments

Henry Ervin asked that I email you this information once I completed the assessment of the five applications I received for the aforementioned position. The applications received and assessment of the applications are listed below.

Sincerely, Mike Mathis Personnel Director Partlow Development Center

#### Results:

Marilyn Benson – Meets minimum qualification requirements
Commie Carter – Meets minimum qualification requirements
Danielle Coteat – Meets minimum qualification requirements
Tracey Bailey – Does not meet minimum qualification requirements
Jessica Eiland – Does not meet minimum qualification requirements



# DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH / MENTAL RETARDATION APPLICATION EVALUATION FORM

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CLASS TITLE: Next assist Personal Mg CODE: H 5500
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#### APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT Exempt Classification



ADDRESS ON ANNOUNCEMENT

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ALEXANDER CITY AL. 35010	Number Office: 334, 242-3/20  Legal Residence ALEXANDER CITY TALLAPOSA AL
Your application will be retained in our non-merit recruitment files for one year, and you will be notified of non-merit vacancies at those facilities in which you express an interest. Please indicate below at which of our facilities you would consider employment. You will only be sent announcements of openings at facilities which you check. After one year and after each succeeding year, you will need to contact this office and request that your application remain in our active files and/or submit an updated application. Failure to do so will result in your name being removed from our mailing list and your application will be destroyed.  Mental Illness Facilities  ( ) Bryce Hospital — Tuscaloosa, AL ( ) Searcy Hospital — Mt. Vernon, AL ( ) Harper Geriatric Psychiatry Center — Tuscaloosa, Al. ( ) North Alabarna Regional Hospital — Decatur, Al. ( ) Thomasville MH Rehab Center — Thomasville, AL ( ) Hardin Secure Medical Facility — Tuscaloosa, Al. ( ) Greil Psychiatric Hospital — Montgomery, AL	Place of Birth ALEXANDER CITY TALLAPOOSA AL.  Minimum annual salary you would consider: NEGOTIABLE  REFERRAL  Where did you learn about the job for which you applied, or about the Department's application procedure?  Voluntary Walk-in State Employment Service College Career Day DMH/MR Employee Newspaper Ad Professional Journal Ad Radio/TV Ad Private Employment Agency State Personnel Department Professional Convention Friend/Relative Responded to Announcement of Vacancy Other — Please explaint
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ICP Nursing Homes  ( ) Alice Kidd — Tuscaloosa, AL  ( ) S.D. Allen — Tuscaloosa, AL  ( ) Claudette Box — Mt. Vernon, AL  Central Administrative Offices— Montgomery, AL	The Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation is an Equal Opportunity Employer. It does not discriminate with respect to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, or disability.
(See map on last page for locations of facilities)	

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## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

APPLICANT DATA RECORD

DATE: 9/27/05

To help this Department evaluate our efforts as an Equal Opportunity Employer, we are requesting that you complete the following items of personal information. Your answers to these questions will be used only to study recruiting and employment patterns, and to furnish necessary information for government reports. We appreciate your cooperation.

This sheet will be separated from the employment application upon receipt, and will be maintained in a separate file, it will, in no way, affect consideration for possible employment with the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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- Bryce Hospital Tuscaloosa, AL Searcy Hospital Mt. Vernon, AL
- Harper Geriatric Psychiatry Center Tuscaloosa, AL
- North Alabama Regional Hospital Decatur, AL 4.
- Thomasville MH Rehab Center Thomasville, AL 5.
- Hardin Secure Medical Facility Tuscaloosa, AL 6.
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- William D. Partlow Developmental Center Tuscaloosa, AL 8,
- Albert P. Brewer Developmental Center Mobile, AL 9.
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- J. S. Tarwater Developmental Center Wetumpka, AL 11.

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EDUCATION

1987

Master's Degree In Public Administration (Concentration in Personnel) (Aubum University at Montgomery)

1981

Bachelor's Degree in Health Services Administration [Auburn University, Auburn, AL]

EMPLOYMENT

12/87-Present Personnel Specialist, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama

Assists with coordinating Personnel management activities for DMH/MR Central Office, seven facilities, and five Community Programs throughout the state. Responsibilities include coordinating recruitment, selection, and placement of direct care, administrative, technical, and service personnel. Responsibilities include examining positions, establishing, revising, deleting, combining classes, and making recommendations in order to comply with federal, state, and local guidelines of employment; also coordinate wage and salary information for non-ment classes, conduct surveys, analyzing positions and pay relationships, collecting, and ensuring the Department remains competitive in its development of solid wage, salary, and benefit schedules; attend career fairs and conventions to recruit the most qualified individuals to fill vacancies, conduct job analysis, gather subject matter experts, announce job vacancles, develop KSA's and conduct interviews. Other responsibilities include supervising and evaluating the work of clerical and technical support staff. Also provide technical assistance to department heads, and supervisors regarding personnel related matters on departmental employees. Responsible for carrying out functions of Human Resource Management In the absence of the Director.

Planning Specialist, Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental 08/84-Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama 11/87

> Rendered technical services to mental health centers by conducting personnel and management studies to include developing complete personnel action plans. Conducted interviews with employees, developed and revised job descriptions. Also examined current classification system to determine if employees were appropriately classified. Developed policies and procedures, to include recruitment and affirmative action plans. Also responsible for conducting supervisory training for both performance appraisals and the employee assistance program; Assisted with identifying federal funding availability through grant resources and provided technical assistance by compiling information needed in order to meet deadlines.

Research Assistant. Alabama Department of Mental Health/Mental 08/83-Retardation, Montgomery, Alabama 08/84

Provided consultative services to various mental health centers throughout the state of Alabama. Responsible for writing, revising, and coordinating the development of various personnel policies and procedures, conducting performance appraisal training sessions and supervisory training for the Employee Assistance Program.

Office Manager, Neuropsychiatry Associates, Montgomery, Alabama 01/83-08/84

Supervised the overall operation of a psychiatric clinic. Was responsible for maintaining financial reports, accounts receivable, purchasing of supplies and equipment, client billing, processing insurance claims, purchase orders, as well as the supervision to clerical and technical support staff.

## HUMAN RESOURCE TRAINING ACTIVITIES & EXPERIENCE

- Developed performance appraisal systems and conducted management studies for seven different Mental Health Centers in five locations throughout the state of Alabama. Activities included:
  - 1) Disseminating questionnaires
  - 2) Conducting interviews
  - 3) Reviewing job descriptions
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  - 5) Providing overview of Performance Appraisal System
  - 6) Training of Supervisors
  - 7) Project Implementation
- July 1983, Central Alabama Comprehensive Health Center, Tuskegee, AL Developed Performance Appraisal Instrument to be utilized and incorporated into their supervisory training program.
- October 1983, Jefferson Blount-St, Clair County Mental Health Center, Birmingham, AL Established a Performance Appraisal Project Flow for JBS. Trained supervisors in the overview of the Performance Appraisal Instrument and legal implications by conducting interviews with employees, writing job descriptions and task statements.
- Jan-March 1984, Chilton-Shelby Mental Health Center, Calera, AL Established Performance Appraisal Training Program for Center Supervisors by reviewing existing appraisal instrument, establishing weights for Primary Job Functions, conducting appraisal interviews, and providing instructions for scoring appraisals.
- April 1984, Mobile Community Mental Health Center, Mobile, AL Administered Employee Attitude Surveys in order to recognize employee attitudes or problems that may have a bearing on productivity, absenteeism, turnover, and Other related employee issues. After correlating and compiling data,

recommendations were made for improving overall staff morale and motivation.

- May 1984, Mobile Community Mental Health Center, Mobile, AL Established Performance Appraisal Instrument to be used at the Center. Trained supervisors in performance appraisal techniques and utilization.
- August 1984, Mobile Association for Retarded Citizens, Mobile, AL Analyzed current organizational structure by disseminating questionnaires and conducting interviews to determine whether jobs were appropriately classified and made recommendations accordingly.
- August 1984, Cahaba Regional Mental Health Center, Selma, AL Developed a performance appraisal system for supervisors at the Center. interviewed employees, compiled questionnaires and conducted supervisory training.
- September 1984, Cherokee, Etowah, Dekalb County Mental Health Center, Gadsden, Al. Participated In Staff Development Consultation with supervisors of Cherokee, Etowah, Dekalb County Mental Health Facility to implement a Performance Appraisal System.
- September 1985, The Bridge Alert Center, Gadsden, AL Conducted workshop on FES (Factor Evaluation System) training and utilization of Training and Experience Crediting. Supervisors were trained in the area of Job analysis. The information was utilized in developing more accurate position descriptions.
- October 1985, Northwest Alabama Mental Health Center, Jasper, Al. Developed a complete Personnel Action Plan by reviewing selection procedures, staff recruitment, evaluation of policies, and providing FES training for supervisors.

### EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

This training involved visiting various Community Memal Health Centers, State Facilities, and private Industries to provide technical assistance in areas as: 1) Marketing presentation, 2) Specific employee problems, 3) Program design, 4) Program problem resolution, 5) Contract negotiations, and 6) Management Training.

- August 1985, Cahaba Mental Health Center, Selma, AL Conducted training workshops to educate supervisors about the Employee Assistance Program, what it involved, who was eligible and the role they played.
- September 1987, Auburn University, Auburn, AL Conducted 15 supervisory training sessions that included 219 participants to Include the President and Vice-President of the University. Supervisors were acquainted with troubled employees, how to recognize them and the roles they were responsible for playing in the referral process.

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October 1987, Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center, Montgomery, AL.

Conducted a one-day workshop for supervisors by giving an overview of the program, identification of problem employees, and the referral process.

November 1987, Fourth Annual Conference for Personnel Administration, Auburn University at Montgomery, Montgomery, AL Made Conference presentation on the Employee Assistance Program for Participants of the Personnel Administration Conference. An overview of EAP was given as well as how to identify workers with personal problems that could possibly affect their on the job performance.

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Facilitator/planner for Governor's Task Force on Domestic Violence and Abuse
- Licensed and Ordained Baptist Minister
- Co-Pastor of GAP Fellowship Church, Inc in Alexander City, AL

#### REFERENCES

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